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FROM THE
OLD BURYING GROUND
IN
GROTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

With Notes and an Appendix.

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"Data sunt ipsis quoque fata sepulcris."
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IS PRINTED AS

A TRIBUTE TO THE VIRTUES OF THOSE WHO SLEEP IN THE OLD
BURYING GROUND AT GROTON;

AND

IS INSCRIBED TO THEIR MEMORY.



*And is this all, a name, a date,
Graved on the mouldering stone?
And since, like men, rocks have their fate,
How soon shall this be gone!*

*Nay, traveller, look on every side;
For all the smiling scene,
The fertile farms, the pastures wide,—
These keep their memory green.*

*They held their own 'mid fierce alarms,
With courage, prayer, and toil,
'Gainst savage foes and British arms,
Still masters of the soil.*

*No tombstone holds such men's renown;
But this their deathless fame,—
That children's children still hand down
A pure and spotless name!*



INTRODUCTION.

A BURYING GROUND is suggestive of many thoughts. It represents a vast deal of affliction and bereavement. Each tombstone implies, generally, many days of mingled hope and anxiety, as well as long and weary nights of watching. The deepest depths of human feeling have been reached, as the kindred have stood around the open grave, and seen it filled with earth. Their very tears have consecrated the spot and made it hallowed ground. A stroll along the paths is wholesome in its lesson, for it reminds one of the uncertain hour that is certain to come. The quaint and homely epitaphs tell of an undying faith in a future life, and show the consolation that springs from such a belief.

Many names and dates, found nowhere else, are given on tombstones, and it is to rescue these facts from oblivion that this collection of epitaphs is now printed. Personal history is soon forgotten, and family records are easily lost ; and after the lapse of time the very inscriptions will be worn away.

"monumenta fatiscunt,
Mors etiam saxis nominibusque venit."

The old Burying Ground in Groton is situated very near the site of the second meeting-house, which was begun in the year 1680. The Ground has probably been used continuously for burial purposes since 1678, the date of the resettlement of the town after it had been burned by the Indians.

Its shape is nearly a right-angled parallelogram, about fifteen rods by thirty-two, and it contains three acres or thereabouts. The oldest monument within the enclosure is in memory of James Prescott, who died, May 9, 1704. He was the son of Jonas Prescott, a blacksmith, who procured a rough stone and chiselled the inscription himself with one of his own tools. Headboards may have been used before this time, but these in a few years would decay and disappear. It is very likely, however, that the earliest graves were not marked either by wood or stone. Most of the slabs in the graveyard are of slate, and were taken, probably, from the quarry in the adjoining town of Harvard, though a few may have been brought from England. In former times gravestones were occasionally imported all finished, except the lettering, which was put on afterwards.

The Ground is now crowded with its silent occupants, who outnumber, many times over, those living in the town. It has been the resting-place of the dead during two centuries, and for this reason should always be an object of interest and affection to the inhabitants of Groton. The feeling is akin to piety that prompts a people to take care of God's acre; and the living pay a due respect to the memory of the dead by making the place attractive.

The following entry contains the earliest reference to the Burying Ground found in the town records:—

“Groton January the 15 day in the y^e 1710”

At a town meeting leagley warned prosedeth as foloeth by the maior uote have agreed upon and chose a comety to stat the Buiring place and reglat the hiways in the town whare it is nedfull
the men chosen

Ensign Farnsworth	
Samuill sriptor senior	the towns
Thomas tarbell	comety
Samuill Parker	
Joseph lakin	

Joseph lakin
clark ”

At this time the Ground had not yet been fenced in, nor its limits definitely fixed. Its use for burial purposes, doubtless, arose from its convenient position, and not from any formal vote of the town. The following writing, now in the possession of Mr. George D. Brigham, implies that there had been some slight disagreement between the town and the owners of the land :—

“Grotton Janewary the 23 in the year 1710²”

A finall agrement between We the Subscribers to wit as foloeth that is to say the town Shall have for evir the Buring place from the high way by the meting house and so bounded Southerly upon M^r hobarts fance where it now stands and bounded Westerly by lancister hiway for and in consideration of medow at masabog and up land where they shall pitch and allso to confirme the bounds of that Swamp and upland south to Joseph lakin and Abraham lakin as thair fances now stands it is to be onder stood that if thair be six acors of medow thay are to haue it if not to haue land equiva-
lant to it and if not medow than fifty acors of upland.

Shebuel : hobart
Gershom hobart

the towns Comety

Thomas tarbill
Samuell parker
John farnsworth
Samuill ^{his} 2 Scriptor se[nior]
^{mark}
Joseph Lakin ”

These two subscribers were sons of the Reverend Gershom Hobart, a former minister of the place, who had died in the year 1705. He lived on the site of the present Baptist meeting-house, directly opposite to one end of the Ground, and probably the sons had inherited the land from their father. The Reverend Mr. Hobart came to Groton in the spring of 1678, — the time of its resettlement, — or very soon afterward ; and the town granted him, June 29, 1678, from the common land, a large number of acres in different lots, including probably the limits of the Burying Ground. It is

likely that the encroachment on Mr. Hobart's boundaries was so gradual that no notice was taken of it during his lifetime.

The following votes are found under their respective dates in the town records :—

March 2, 1724/5. "voted that they would fence in the burying place in said town; the question being put whether they would Chuse a committee to take care concerning fencing in of sd burying place in sd town & the committee bring their Report to the town at the next town meeting it past in the affirmative then proceeded & chose Richard Warnner Jonathan page and Jonathan hubbard for the committee before mentioned to take care concerning the fencing in the burying place"

May 14, 1725. "voted y^e the Committee that were Employed to uew the burying place in order to the fencing of it in viz^t Richard Warner Jonathan Page & Jonathan hubbard are Impowred & Directed to make a fence with boards about said burying place at the Cost & Charge of the town "

September 10, 1728. "voted. that Will^m Shattuck shall have Liberty to mow the burying Place for the term of seven years upon condition that the said Shattuck keep in Good Repair the fence about said burying place, and Leave it so at the end of said term of time further voted that the said Shattuck Leave out a Lane of one pole wide at the south end thereof the fence at the suth end to be made at the Cost & Charge of the said Shattuck & Jonathan Page

further voted that Jon^t hubbard Joseph Lakin & Sam["] Tarbell be A com["] to Leas out the Gras Growing in said burying place as is above mentioned "

July 23, 1734. "Voted That William Shattuck may feed the Buriing place with Rames for the [year] 1734."

May 16, 1737. "Voted that The Selectmen are Desired & fully Impowred to take Care of the burying Place at y^e Cost & Charge of the Town: to see that it be well fenced in & to Call William Shattuck to ann accomp^t for the time he had the Care of it & to Sue the said Shattuck their for if they See Caus or any other person, or Persons that shall Trespasse on Said burying Place &c: "

August 21, 1738. "Voted that they will haue y^e Buring place fenced in &c. Also voted that it be fenced in with a Good Stone Wall &c:

Voted that Jonathan Page Samu^l Tarbell & Nathaniel Woods to be a Com^{tee} & fully Impowered them to fence in the burying Place with a Good Stone Wall that is to [be] a Wall of foure feet & an half high & that they Civer the Same with a flat Stone to be Don. all at the towns Cost :

Voted that the Selectmen Stake out how bige the Buring place shall be fenced in, &c :

Voted y^t y^e com^{tee} Despose of all y^e bords & fence about y^e burying place to the best advantage the Can for y^e town^s use."

May 23, 1739. "Voted that the Com^{tee} Chosen to fence in the Burying place: Do fence it with a Good Stone Wall viz^t the East & West Ends, and the Two Other Sides with a Good Ditch Wall & to hew a Sufficent log Three Square and Lay it on the Top of s^d wall all Round s^d Burying Place."

March 4, 1739-40. "Voted that y^e Com^{tee} Chosen at a former town meeting to Sell Parte of y^e highways in s^d town be ordered to pay to y^e Com^{tee} Chosen to fence in y^e burying Place in s^d town y^e Sum of fifty Pounds of y^e Money Raised upon y^e Selling of Highways as afores^d to Enable them to Carry on s^d work &c :"

The following article appears in the warrant for the town meeting, held November 3, 1794 :—

"4. To See if the Town will repair the monument over the rev^d Caleb Trowbridge^s grave it being nearly fallen down & choose some person to see it done."

The subject was duly considered at the meeting, when it was

"Voted that D^r. Sam^l Lawrence repair the monument over the Rev^d Caleb Trowbridge Grave."

In the warrant for the town meeting, held November 7, 1796, the seventh article is

"7. To see if the Town will enlarge their Burying Ground by Purchase or otherwise and do any thing to prevent the new graves interfering with the old ones—and pass Such Votes and orders thereon as they may think proper."

The meeting was duly held, when a committee was appointed, consisting of Lieutenant Samuel Rockwood,

Deacon Samuel Lawrence, and Timothy Bigelow, Esq., to consider the subject and report at the next meeting. This was accordingly done, and the following is their report made on May 1, 1797:—

“The Committee to whom was referred the expediency of exchanging the old road belonging to the Town leading from Cap^t Josep^h Richardsons to W^m Lepears for a piece of land belonging to said Richardson lying contiguous to the burying ground on the south side thereof—and your Committee are of opinion that said exchange would be expedient: and that the selectmen be authorized to give said Richardson a deed of that part of said old road that lies between the town road leading by W^m Lepears and the northwesterly corner of the land now occupied by the Wid^o Mary Tarbell—and that the selectmen should also be authorized to receive of said Richardson a deed to the Town of a peice of his land, bounded thus, begining at the Southeast corner of the burying ground and running Southerly to the fifth post in said Richardson's fence thence westerly to the back door of said Richardsons coat house thence northeasterly by the Town road to the Southwest corner of the burying ground—thence on the southerly side of the burying Ground to the corner first mentioned—and that the selectmen be authorized to agree with Cap^t Richardson on the terms of exchange.

Groton May 1, 1797	Submitted by	Sam ^l Rockwood Sam ^l Lawrance Tim ^y Bigelow	} Comm ^s .
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The extracts from the town records after this date are made to conform, in spelling, punctuation, and capitalization, to common usage.

In the warrant for the town meeting, held June 21, 1802, the third article is as follows:—

“III. To see if the town will order that piece of land lying contiguous to the south side of the burying yard, which was purchased of Captain Richardson in 1797, to be added to the yard by enclosing the same with the fence, choose a committee for that purpose, or give any directions relating thereto as the town may think proper.”

When the subject was considered at the meeting, it was

"*Voted*, that the land mentioned in this article be enclosed with the fence of the common burying yard ; also voted that the selectmen be a committee to effect the same."

At the town meeting, held June 5, 1811, the following article was considered :—

"III. To see, as the wall upon the north side of the burying ground must of necessity be immediately rebuilt, if the town will order it to be set, so as to include all the land, belonging to said town, lying between the north side of said burying ground and the two roads that separate at the town's pound, the one leading to Spalter's Tavern, and the other leading by the gunhouse."

Whereupon it was

"*Voted*, that this article be committed to a committee of three persons, and that Captain James Lewis, James Brazer, and William Livermore be the same, with orders to report at some future meeting."

In the proceedings of September 23, 1811, it is recorded :—

"III. On this article, the Committee chosen in June last, to consider the expediency of rebuilding the wall upon the north side of the Burying Ground, and enlarging the same, reported that in their opinion it was expedient, which report was accepted by the town and ordered to be recorded ; but, upon motion for reconsidering the vote, it was obtained, and likewise a vote to pass over the article."

The following articles are found in the warrant for the town meeting, held in March, 1842 :—

"Article VII. To see if the town will direct the wall around the graveyard to be repaired or pass any vote in relation to the subject.

"Article VIII. To see if the town will pass any vote in relation to the tombs in the graveyard."

The action taken on these articles, at an adjourned meeting held April 4, 1842, was as follows :—

"*Voted*, to direct the selectmen to repair the wall around the graveyard as they may think proper.

"*Voted*, to direct the tombs in the graveyard to be covered with gravel, and then referred the subject to the selectmen with discretionary power subject to the foregoing vote."

These votes, however, were slightly modified by the subsequent action at the town meeting, held May 23, 1842. The article in the warrant for that meeting reads:—

"Article V. To see whether the town will reconsider the vote passed at their last meeting so far as to leave the subject-matter of the tombs on and around the graveyard, and the manner in which the doors shall be secured, to the said selectmen, acting as a board of health; and to give the selectmen power to cause said tombs to be secured with an outside door of iron and an inside door of wood, if they shall think that will render them secure, or pass any vote in relation to that subject."

In the proceedings of the meeting, it is recorded that

"The subject-matter of fifth article was referred to the selectmen, and the former vote reconsidered."

From the warrant for the town meeting, held April 28, 1845:—

"Article II. To see if the town will raise or appropriate a sum of money to improve the condition of the burial ground and repair the fence around the same.

"Article III. To see if the town will permit any persons who may form an association for that purpose to ornament the burial ground by planting trees and shrubs within and around the same, or pass any vote in relation to the burial ground."

From the proceedings of the meeting:—

"Article II. *Voted*, that the selectmen cause the graveyard walls to be put in good repair and the gravestones in said yard to be set upright.

"Article III. *Voted* to give liberty to individuals to set trees and shrubs in and around the burial ground, under the direction of the selectmen."

From the warrant for the town meeting, held January 20, 1851:—

“ Article II. To see if the town will grant, to Noah Shattuck and others, leave to enclose and ornament according to the modern mode a lot or lots in the common burial ground, and to grade and ornament a walk or mall with a row of trees on either side through the centre of said yard leading from one gate to the other, on condition that in so doing no prior claims shall be injured.”

It was voted at the meeting to pass over this article.

From the warrant for the town meeting, held in March, 1851:—

“ Article X. To see if the town will make any appropriation for ornamenting the common burying ground.

“ Article XI. To see if the town will choose a committee to investigate and report on what terms Noah Shattuck may ornament and occupy about five square rods of land in the common burying ground.”

From the proceedings of the adjourned meeting, held April 7, 1851:—

“ Article X. The selectmen were chosen a committee to give directions for any individuals wishing to ornament the yard with trees.”

From the warrant for the town meeting, held November 14, 1853:—

“ Article VII. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to repair the breach in the burying ground wall, made by the removal of the tomb of Noah Shattuck or pass any vote to effect the same.”

From the proceedings of the meeting:—

“ Article VII. The subject-matter of this article was referred to Joseph Rugg, Stuart J. Park, and Reuben Lewis, with instructions to report at future meeting.”

From the proceedings of the meeting, held April 3, 1854:—

“ Article II. Stuart J. Park made a verbal report in relation to the old burying yard, which was accepted and referred to the selectmen, with instructions to carry out the suggestions of the report.”

From the warrant for the town meeting, held April 5, 1858:—

“Article VII. To see if the town will order the selectmen to expend twenty dollars in ornamenting the old burying ground, or pass any vote in relation thereto.”

From the proceedings of the meeting:—

“Article VII. *Voted*, that the selectmen expend \$20 in ornamenting the old burying ground, and also that they should investigate the condition of the same, and report at a future meeting.”

From the warrant for the town meeting, held April 1, 1867:—

“Article II. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the improvement of the old burying ground.”

From the proceedings of the meeting:—

“Article II. *Voted*, to appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to renovate the old burying ground under the direction of the selectmen.”

The following report was made at an adjourned meeting, held May 6, 1872, and is found in the records of that date:—

“Article VI. The report of the committee chosen in April last to examine the old burial ground and report this day, was read and accepted by the town, and the following is a copy, to wit:—

““The committee chosen at the April meeting to examine the town burial ground, and to report to this meeting what was necessary to be done to put the same in permanent good order and respectable condition, respectfully report:—

““That they have attended to the duty assigned them, and, in their opinion, taking into consideration durability and economy, the best mode of fencing is by stone wall to be laid in the following manner; to wit, to remove the present walls upon the east and west sides of the ground, and dig a trench not less than three feet wide and three feet deep, fill it with small stones to within six inches of grade, then build a wall of the stones now in the walls, fitting them together as nicely as may be, three and a half feet high, and cap it with a straightened granite cap, eight inches in height by eighteen inches broad, laid to project two inches over the face of the wall, and to build a wall of the same kind, in the same manner, upon the north side, from two to six feet in front of the face of the tombs

(depending, as to the distance out, upon the number of tombs which the proprietors are willing to surrender and have demolished), and to point all said walls thoroughly with cement. To set gate posts at each gate of hammered granite, eight square, and hang good composite iron gates at each gate way, with proper fastenings, leaving a passage for persons between the gate posts and the walls. To grade a walk about eight feet in width around the ground, and set a row of forest trees between said walk and the street.

“The passage through the grounds from one gate to the other should also be graded, and trees set upon each side of it. The wall separating the burial ground from the land owned by individuals south of it should be relaid, but may be a rough wall or a board fence with stone posts.

“The gravestones should all be righted up, the moss removed where it renders the inscriptions illegible, and where possible the ground smoothed by removing mounds and filling hollows.

“Your committee think the appearance of the grounds would be much improved if the tomb holders would all consent to abandon the tombs, and have them uncovered and filled up; those who have friends in them which they do not wish to remove could let them remain, and the covering of the tomb could be removed and the tomb filled up. They could then erect a gravestone or monument with suitable inscription to mark the spot, and they would have the satisfaction of knowing that the remains of their friends were permanently buried, which is more than can be said of them now.

“In talking with the tomb holders, your committee find that more of them are willing to have them demolished, but some few as yet seem unwilling. But your committee think if they would all visit the tombs and see the dilapidated condition in which some of them now are, and into which condition others are liable to come when there are no persons here who are personally interested in keeping them in order, they would all be ready at once to give them up if they could be assured that the remains of those now in them would be properly and permanently covered.

“Your committee find there is about sixty rods of outside wall to be built, which, at the present price of labor and materials, they think will cost about twelve hundred dollars; two iron gates of eight feet width, with their posts and hangings, about two hundred and forty dollars; the grading, filling, and setting out trees, perhaps five hundred dollars; and for contingent expenses they allow one hundred and fifty dollars; making a total of two thousand

and ninety dollars. All of which is respectfully submitted by your committee,

SAMUEL W. ROWE,
HENRY A. BANCROFT, } *Committee.'*
JOSEPH D. BLOOD,

"The following resolution was passed unanimously, to wit:—

"*Resolved*, that we, the inhabitants of Groton, in town meeting assembled, accept with gratitude the liberal offer of Mr. Charles P. Hemenway of Boston, to pay the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for the purpose of fencing and beautifying our town burial ground; and that we choose a committee of three persons by nomination from the chair, with full power to do the work in accordance with the report of the committee chosen in April last, this day made and accepted by the town.

"The following committee was nominated and chosen to carry out the plans for the improvements upon the burial ground, according to the report of the committee; viz., Samuel W. Rowe, Henry A. Bancroft, and George S. Gates.

"*Voted*, that the town clerk be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to Mr. Hemenway."

From the proceedings of the meeting, held March 2, 1874:—

"Article XIII. The report of the committee chosen in May, 1872, to make improvements upon the old burial ground was read, accepted, and ordered to be placed on file in the archives of the town.

"*Voted*, that the selectmen be ordered to draw their warrants for the amount paid out by the committee over and above the amount of cash in their hands. Also

"*Voted*, that a vote of thanks be presented to Mr. Hemenway and a committee be appointed to get up a suitable testimonial to be presented to him for his liberality. And S. W. Rowe, Geo. S. Gates, and Henry A. Bancroft were chosen said committee.

"*Voted*, that a committee of one person, consisting of S. W. Rowe, be appointed, and that a committee shall be annually appointed to take care of the old burial ground, and the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) be appropriated for that purpose, subject to the order of said committee.

"*Voted*, that the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) be appro-

priated to pay Mr. Rowe for his services in improving the old burial ground."

From the proceedings of the meeting, held March 1, 1875:—

"Article IX. The report of S. W. Rowe, committee chosen in March last to take care of the old burying ground, was read, accepted, and its recommendations adopted; viz., that the trees which have died be replaced with live ones this spring, the brush and weeds got rid of, and the sidewalks repaired, &c., and S. W. Rowe was again chosen a committee to take care of the ground, with authority to expend fifty dollars, if necessary, the coming year."

During the past two years, Mr. Rowe has been appointed annually a committee to attend to the same duties mentioned in the last vote; and a similar appropriation of money has been made to defray the expenses.

The verses immediately preceding this Introduction were written by a lady of Rutland, Vermont, whose ancestors, on her mother's side, were inhabitants of Groton during two centuries.

The Epitaphs were carefully copied by Mr. Arthur Bruce Coburn, of Charlestown, now a student of law; and it is to him that I am indebted for the accurate drawings from which the heliotypes in this book are made.

S. A. G.

Boston, *May*, 1878.



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GROTON EPITAPHS.

1704

HERE · LYETH · THE
BODY · OF · JAMES · PRES
COTT · HEE · DYED · THE
9 · OF · MAY · 1704 ·
AGED · 20 · AND · 7 · WEEKS
YERES · OLD

THE son of JONAS and MARY (LOKER) PRESCOTT, born
March 16, 1684. See frontispiece.

1712

1712
A W M

1712
S W

These initials are found on two foot-stones, each bearing the
date 1712. I am unable to identify the persons.

1716

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes the Body
of M^{rs} Lydia Whitney,
Wife to M^r. William
Whitney : Aged 42
Years : Deceased, the 24th
of August, 1716.

1717

[Death's Head.]

Here Lyes Buried the
Body of M^{rs} Sarah
Trowbridge, Wife to y^e
Rév^{md} M^r Caleb
Trowbridge ; Aged 26
Years, & 5 M^o Dec^d
June, the 16th, 1717.

The 'daughter of Deacon THOMAS and MARY (WILSON)
OLIVER, of Cambridge, born November 14. 1690. She was
married March 10, 1714.

HERE LYES Y^e BODY

OF MRS SARAH

LATE WIFE OF

CAP^t JOSEPH BOYN

TON WHO DIED

FEBRUARY Y^e 27

1717 AGED 71

WHO IN GOD HOUSE

TOOK GREAT DELITE

& PRIVATE MEETINGS

OF Y^e UPRIGHT

1718

[Death's Head.]

Here Lyes y^e Body
of M^{rs} Alice Woods
Wife to M^r Nathaniel
Woods ; Who Dec^d
Jan^y y^e 10,th 1717/8, in y^e
45th year of Her Age

DANIEL WOODS, one of her sons, was killed in Lovewell's
fight at Pigwacket, May 8, 1725.

1719

[Death's Head.]

Here Lyes the
Body of Mr:
JOSHUA WHITNEY,
Aged 83 Years,
Dec^d August. 7th 1719.

The son of JOHN and ELINOR WHITNEY, born July 15, 1635,
at Watertown.

1720

HERE LYES Y^r BODY
OF M^r JAMES
ROBERTSON WHO
DIED DECEMBER
Y^r 5TH 1720
AGED 88 YEARS

Mr. WHITNEY and Mr. ROBERTSON, named above, were among
the earliest settlers of the town ; living here before its destruction
by the Indians in the year 1676.

1723

[Death's Head.]

Here Lyes
y^e Body of
Hannah Stone
Who Dec^d
Sept^r y^e 27th
1723 in y^e
25th Year of
Her Age.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes
y^e Body of
Isaac Stone,
Who Dec^d
Sept^r. y^e 30th
1723 in y^e
27th Year of
His Age.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes
y^e Body of
Lydia Stone
Who Dec^d
Sept^r. y^e 30th
1723 in y^e
16th Year of
Her Age.

The three persons last named were children of Deacon
SIMON and SARAH STONE.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes Buried
the Body of
JONAS PRESCOTT
Esq^r, Who Deceased
Decem^{br} y^e 31st, 1723
Aged 76 Years

The son of JOHN and MARY (PLATTS) PRESCOTT, born at
Lancaster, in June, 1648.

1724

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes y^e Body
of Cap^t JERATHMELL
BOWERS Who
Dec^d April y^e 23^d
1724 in y^e 78th
Year of His Age.

He had previously lived in Chelmsford, of which town he was
one of the proprietors and a prominent inhabitant. At different
times, he commanded a company against the Indians, and was
a noted fighter of them. According to Savage, he was born
May 2, 1650.

Memento [*Hour-Glass*] Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^{rs} Deborah Parker the daughter
of Cap^t Jonas Prescott Esq^r and
wife to Cap^t samuel Parker of
Groton who departed this Life
september the 27th A D 1724
in the 30th year of her Age

She was born March 5, 1694.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes y^e Body of
M^{rs} Rebeckah Lawrance^e
Wife to Lieu^t
Jonathan Lawrance
Who Dec^d Febu^{ry}
y^e 16th 1724 Aged
about 74 Years

Her maiden name was RUTTER, and she was from Cambridge.

1725

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes the
Body of M^{rs} Sarah
Woods Wife to M^r
Nathaniel Woods
Who Dec^d March
y^e 3rd 1725 : in y^e 45
Year of Her Age.

Her maiden name was BROWN, and she was from Stow. She
was married July 3, 1721.

1728

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes Buried
y^e Body of M^r
THOMAS HUBBARD
Who Died Feb^{ry}
1st 1728, in y^e 33^d
Year of His Age

1729

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lyes y^e Body of
Lieu^t JONATHAN
LAWRANCE; Who
Died Septemb^r y^e
19th, 1729 in y^e 73^d
Year of His Age.

The son of JOHN and ELIZABETH LAWRENCE, of Watertown.
By his will he left £100 to the town of Groton for buying a
meeting-house bell; £40 to the Church of Christ in Groton for
procuring some silver plate; and £20 to the Church, the income
to be paid annually to the settled minister.

In the account of his estate, rendered April 5, 1732, by the
executor, William Lawrence, the following items appear:—

Paid Benj ^e Bancroft for his Journey to Charlestown	
in order to procure wine for the Funeral and for	
wine itself	2,, 16,, 6
Paid for the Coffin 6/ digging the Grave 5/	11
For the Gravestones 3 ^h transporting them 7/	3,, 7,, 0
Paid James Hay for Gloves	9,, 2,,

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lyes y^e Body
of M^r THOMAS
LAWRANCE; Who
Died October 4th
1729. Aged 37 Years
9 Month^s & 19 Days.

The son of JOHN and ANNA (TARBELL) LAWRENCE.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lyes Buried
y^e Body of M^{rs}
Mary Oliver Relict
of y^e Hon^{ble} Thomas
Oliver Esq; Who Died
Decem^{br} 2nd A.D. 1729.
Aged about 67 years.

Her maiden name was WILSON ; her husband lived in Cambridge, where he filled many important offices. The Reverend Mr. TROWBRIDGE and the Honorable BENJAMIN PRESCOTT each married one of her daughters. Her youngest child, SAMUEL, died on the same day as herself.

1731

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^e BODY OF
MR^s SARAH STONE
Y^e WIFE OF DEACON
SIMON STONE WHO
DEPARTED THIS
LIFE SEPTM^{BR} Y^e 16TH
A.D 1731
IN Y^e 68TH YEAR
OF HER AGE

HERE LIES
BURIED THE
BODY OF SARAH
FARNWORTH THE
DAUGHTER OF MR
JEREMIAH AND
MRS SARAH
FARNWORTH WHO
DIED NOUMB Y^e 2
1731 IN Y^e 2 YEAR

HERE LIES
BURIED THE BODY
OF M^r JEREMIAH
FARNWORTH WHO
DIED NOUEMBER
THE 25^d 1731 &
IN Y^e 32 YEAR
OF HIS AGE

The son of JOHN and HANNAH (ALDIS) FARNSWORTH, born
March 24, 1700-1.

[*Death's Head.*]
Here lyes y^e Body
of M^r THOMAS
FARWELL; Who
Died Decem^{br} 16th 1731
Aged 33 Years
2 Mont^s & 5 Day^s

1733

[*Death's Head.*]
Here Lies The
Body of M^s Patience
Farnsworth y^e wife
of M^r Benjamin
Farnsworth
Who Departed this
Life July. y^e 10th
A D 1733 in y^e
31th year of her
age

[*Death's Head.*]
Here Lies The
Body of M^s Rebekah
Farnsworth y^e wife
of M^r Benjamin
Farnsworth
Who Departed this
Life oct^{br} y^e 1th
A D 1756 in y^e
54th year of her
age

BENJAMIN FARNSWORTH, the husband, died of small-pox,
September 18, 1757.

1735

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^e BODY OF Y^e
WIDOW MARY
PRESCOTT RELICK^s
OF JONAS PRÉSCOTT
ESQ^r WHO DEC^d
OCTOB^r Y^e 28th A D
1735 IN Y^e 82^d
YEAR OF HER AGE

The daughter of JOHN and MARY (DRAPER) LOKER, born September 28, 1653; she was the mother of twelve children, of whom ten lived to grow up and be married, each one having a large family. It is said that she lived to see 176 of her descendants.

1736

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes Buried
Y^e Body of Cap^t
JOHN SHEPLE, Who
Departed this life
Sept: 14th 1736, in Y^e 60
Year of His Age.

All his father's family — excepting himself — were massacred by the Indians, in the assault of 1694, and he was carried off and held a prisoner during four years. He is the direct ancestor of the late Honorable ETHER SHEPLEY, formerly Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Maine.

1738

HERE LIES BURIED
 Y^r BODY OF
 M^r NATHANAEL
 WOODS WHO
 DEC^d JUNE Y^r
 20TH ANNO 1738
 IN Y^r 71ST YEAR
 OF HIS AGE

The son of SAMUEL and ALICE Woods, born March 27, 1668.

HERE LIES BURIED
 Y^r BODY OF Y^r
 HONOURABLE CO^{LL}
 BENJAMIN PRESCOTT
 ESQ^r WHO
 DEPARTED THIS
 LIFE AUGUST
 Y^r 3^D ANNO DOM
 1738 AGE
 42 YEARS 7 M
 & 30 D.

The son of JONAS and MARY (LOKER) PRESCOTT, born January 4, 1696; married, June 11, 1718, ABIGAIL OLIVER, of Cambridge. BENJAMIN was the father of Colonel WILLIAM PRESCOTT, who commanded the American forces at the battle of Bunker Hill.

1739

HERE LIES
BURIED Y^r BODY OF
MR^s ABIGAIL PRESCOT^t
DAUGHT^r OF Y^r
HONOURABLE CO^{LL}
BENJAMIN PRESCOTT
ESQ^r & MR^s ABIGAIL
HIS WIFE WHO
DEC^d NOVEMB^r
Y^r 7th A D 1739
AGE 20 YEARS
6 M & 12 D

1740

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF
NATHANIEL HOLDIN
Y^r SON OF M^r
NATHANIEL & MR^s
ABIGAIL HOLDIN
WHO DEC^d APRIL
Y^r 30th 1740
IN Y^r 19th YEAR
OF HIS AGE

He was born October 2, 1721.

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF M^r
NATHANIEL HOLDIN
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
MAY Y^r 15th
A D 1740
IN Y^r 49th YEAR
OF HIS AGE

The son of STEPHEN and HANNAH HOLDEN.

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF M^r
JOSEPH FARWELL
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
AUGUST Y^r 20th
A. D 1740
AGE 70 YEARS
& 14 D^s

[*Death's Head.*]
Here Lies The Body
of M^r Obadiah
Sawtell Who Departed
This Life March The 20th
A D 1740 in y^e 92th
Year of his Age.

The son of RICHARD and ELIZABETH SAWTELL, of Watertown ; he married HANNAH, daughter of GEORGE and ELIZABETH LAWRENCE.

✓ 1741

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF DEAC^r
SIMON STONE
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
DECEMB^r Y^r 19th
A D 1741
AGE 85 YEARS
3 M & 11 D

The eldest son of SIMON and MARY (WHIPPLE) STONE, of Watertown ; he was one of the original proprietors of Groton.

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF M^r
EPHRAIM PEARCE
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
FEBRUARY Y^r 27th
A D 1741
IN Y^r 68 YEAR
OF HIS AGE

The son of DANIEL and ELIZABETH PIERCE, born October 15, 1673.

1744

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF M^r
PHINEHAS PARKER
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
AUGUST Y^r 13th
A. D. 1744
IN Y^r 63^d YEAR
OF HIS AGE

The son of JAMES and MARY (PARKER) PARKER. His father and mother were killed by the Indians, in their assault on the town, July 27, 1694; he was captured at the same time, and held a prisoner during four years. He was released, probably in the summer of 1698; and a petition to the General Court, dated May 31, 1699, represents him as being "lame of one of his Leggs occasioned by y^e cruelty of y^e Salvages," and says that "it is very questionable whether ever he will be cured, & has little or nothing left him of his Fathers estate for his support." In answer to this petition, it was voted that six pounds of money be allowed out of the public treasury.

[*Hour-Glass.*]

Memento Mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

HERE LIES THE BODY OF
CAP^t JONATHAN SHEPLE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
NOVEMBER THE 4TH 1744
AGED 44 YEARS 9 MONTHS
AND 4 DAYS

The son of JOHN and LYDIA SHEPLE, born September 1, 1700.
He married, December 26, 1728, LYDIA, daughter of WILLIAM
and ELIZABETH LAKIN.

1745

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^e BODY OF
LYDIA HOLDIN
DAUGHT^r OF M^r
NATHANⁱEL & MR^s
ABIGAIL HOLDIN
WHO DEC^d FEBRU^y,
Y^e 5TH A D 1744/5
IN Y^e 20TH YEAR
OF HER AGE.

She was born December 6, 1725.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lyes y^e
Body of Elezebeth^h
Green y^e Daughter
of M^r William & M^{rs}
Hannah Green,
who Died Agust
y^e 31th A D 1745
Being 2 Months
& 14 days old.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
Phinehas Bowers y^e son of
Mr Samuel Bowers and
M^{rs} Deborah his Wife
who departed this Life
September y^e 12th 1745
Aged 1 year 11 months
and 12 days

Memento Mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the
Body of M^{rs} Eunice
Boyden wife of M^r
Josiah Boyden, who
departed this Life
Jan^y 1st 1745. Age^d
37 years.

The daughter of SAMUEL and ABIGAIL (LAKIN) PARKER, born
March 11, 1705-6. She was married January 12, 1730.

1746

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^e BODY OF MR^s
ABIGAIL BULKLEY
Y^e WIFE OF CAP^t
JOHN BULKLEY
WHO DEC^d APRIL Y^e
15 *AD* 1746
IN Y^e 40 YEAR
OF HER AGE
ALSO 5 SONS &
2 DAUGHTERS

1747

Memento Mori

[Death's Head.]

Here lies the Body of
 M^{rs} Lydia Sheple
 Relect to Cap^t Jonathan Sheple
 who departed this Life
 October y^e 10th 1747
 in the 50th Year
 of her Age

The daughter of WILLIAM and ELIZABETH LAKIN, born
 January 14, 1697.

[Skull and Cross-Bones.]

Here lyeth the Body of
 M^{rs} Unice Lawrance the
 Daughter of M^r
 Nathaniel and Anna
 Lawrance who died
 Nov. 15th A D 1747.
 Aged 10 Years 3 month^s
 and 21 Days.

1749

HERE LIES BURIED
 Y^e BODY OF M^r
 JAMES PARKER
 WHO DEPARTED
 THIS LIFE
 JANUARY Y^e 21ST
 A D 1748/9
 IN Y^e 63^D YEAR
 OF HIS AGE

The son of JAMES and MARY (PARKER) PARKER, born March
 24, 1686-7 ; he married ABIGAIL, daughter of JONAS and MARY
 (LOKER) PRESCOTT.

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF M^r
JAMES PARKER JUN^r
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
JANUARY Y^r 29th
A D 1748/9
IN Y^r 26th YEAR
OF HIS AGE.

The son of JAMES and ABIGAIL (PRESCOTT) PARKER, born
February 20, 1722-3. His father's epitaph immediately precedes
his own.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies y^e Body of
Amos Farnsworth y^e Son
of M^r Amos Farnsworth
& M^{rs} Lydia his Wife
Who Dec^d July y^e 9th
A D 1749 in y^e 4th Year
of his Age Alsoe y^e
birth & death of a Son
Sep^r y^e 30 A D 1750

Here Lies Buried
Y^e Body of y^e wid^{ow}
MARY PEIRCE
Relect to M^r Ephraim
Peirce Who Dec^d
Decem^{br} y^e 29th
A. D 1749
In y^e 75 year
Of Her Age.

1750

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF MR^s
MARY PRESCOTT
WIFE OF JONAS
PRESCOTT Esq^r
WHO DEC^d
FEBRUARY Y^r 17TH
A. D. 1749/50
ABOUT 75 YEAR^s
OLD

The daughter of JOHN and FAITH (DUNSTER) PAGE, born January 9, 1674-5. She was married April 30, 1718, and was JONAS PRESCOTT's second wife.

[*Death's Head.*]

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^e BODY OF DEACⁿ
JOHN LONGLEY
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
MAY Y^r 25TH
A D 1750
IN Y^r 68TH YEAR
OF HIS AGE

The son of WILLIAM and DELIVERANCE (CRISPE) LONGLEY. When Groton was assaulted by the Indians July 27, 1694, he was taken captive, and held a prisoner during more than four years.

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF CAP^t
JONAS PRESCOTT ESQ^r
WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE
SEPTEMBER Y^r 12TH
ANNO DOMINI 1750
AGE 71 YEARS
10 M & 17 D^s

The son of JONAS and MARY (LOKER) PRESCOTT, born
October 26, 1678.

1751

HERE LIES BURIED
Y^r BODY OF M^{rs}
ABIGAIL PARKER
RELECT WIDOW OF
M^r JAMES PARKER
WHO DEPARTED THIS
LIFE AUGUST 14TH
A. D. 1751.
AGE 63 YEARS
3 M & 6 DAYS.

The daughter of JONAS and MARY (LOKER) PRESCOTT, born
May 8, 1688.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies Buried
Y^e Body of M^r Jonathⁿ
Page First Son of
Ensign Jona^t & M^{rs}
Mary PAGE Who
Departed This Life
August the 30
A. D. 1751. IN Y^e
42 year of His
AGE

He was born June 5, 1710.

Memento mori

[Three Cherubs' Heads.]

Here lies the Body of
 M^{rs} Mercy Daby wife of
 M^r Simon Daby, who departed^d
 This Life August. 31st 1751.
 Aged 34 yeas & 10 days.

Also Phebe
 their Daughter
 who departed
 this Life Septem^r
 20th 1751. Aged 3^{days}.
 Years, 1 month & 25

Likewise Sarah
 their Daughter
 Born at her
 Mothers death
 and lived 15
 days.

A loving Mother, a Pleasant Child,
 An Infant dear, all lies here.
*Naked as from the Earth we came,
 And crept to Life at first,
 We to the Earth return again,
 And mingle with our dust.*

[Death's Head.]

Here Lies Buried
 The Body of Ensign^e
 JONATHAN PAGE
 Who Departed This
 Life Septem^{br} 30
 Anno Domini 1751
 In y^e 75 year
 Of His Age.

The son of JOHN and FAITH (DUNSTER) PAGE, born June 24,
 1677, at Watertown.

HERE LIES BURIED
 Y^r BODY OF MR^s
 MARY PRESCOTT
 DAUGH^{TR} OF COR^{LL}
 BENJ^A PRESCOTT
 ESQ^r & MR^s ABIGAIL
 HIS WIFE WHO
 DEC^D OCTOB^R Y^r 25TH
 A D 1751
 AGE 16 YEARS
 2 M & 18 D^s

1753

[*Death's Head.*]

Abel Lawrence a Twin
 Son of Mr. Abel
 and M^{rs} Mary
 Lawrence Died
 July y^e 14th 1753
 Aged 9 Months

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies Buried
 y^e Body of
 Lemuel Page Son
 of Mr John & M^{rs}
 Mary Page Who
 Dec^d Augu^t 18th
 N. S. A. D. 1753
 Age 5 years
 11 M & 5 D^s

[Death's Head.]

Here Lies y^e body of
 Samuel Rockwood^{ood}
 Son of M^r Elisha Rock W^{ood}
 Who departed this Life
 The 2th day of Sep^t
 A D 1753 in the
 12th year of his age

[Death's Head.]

Here Lies y^e bod^y
 of Moses Rock-
 Wood Son of r Eli^M
 Sha Rock Wood
 Who decc^d Sep^t
 7th 1753 in y^e
 A D
 1th year of his
 age

[Death's Head.]

Here Lies the bod^y
 of Elisabeth Rock-
 Wood daughter of
 M^r
 Elisha Rockwood
 Who departed this
 Life the 17th day
 of September
 A D 1753 in the
 15th year of her age

[Death's Head.]

And allso the body
 of Lydia Rockwood
 Daughter of r Elisha^M
 Rockwood Who
 Departed this Life
 The 17th day of
 Sep^t A D 1753
 in the 6th year
 of her age

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies the body of
Su^ana parkar Wife of
M^r William parkar Who
Departed this Life
The 19th day of october
A D 1753 in
The 34 year of her age.

The daughter of SAMUEL and SARAH KEMP, born May 14, 1720.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies the body
of Susana parkar
M^r
Daughter of William
parkar Who departed
This Life November
4th A. D 1753 in the 17th
year of her age.

She was born February 10, 1736-7.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
Cap^t John Gillson Who
Departed This Life y^e
17th Day of november
A D 1753
in the 56 year
of his age.

The son of JOHN and SARAH GILSON, born March 2, 1697-8.
He married, first, December 8, 1722, MARY, daughter of JOHN
and MARY (BLOOD) SHATTUCK, born April 11, 1699; and,
secondly, RACHEL —

[*Hour-Glass,
Skull,*

*Hora and Fugit
Cross-Bones.]*

This Stone is Erected by
M^r Abel Parker,
M^r Josiah Holdin,
and M^r Nathaniel Laken : also
M^r John Blood & M^r Isaac woods
to the Memory of M^r Joseph
Parker, who departed this life
Nov^r 26th 1753. Aged 64 years
8 months, and 26 days.
and by M^r Josiah Parker.

*Dear friends for me pray do not weep
I am not dead but here do sleep,
Within this solid lump of clay;
Untill the Resurrection day.
And here indeed I must Remain,
Till Christ doth rais me, up again.*

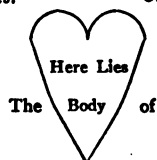
The son of JOSEPH and HANNAH PARKER, born March 1, 1689.

Here lies the Body of
James Parker y^e son of
M^r Peter Parker and
M^{rs} Prudence his wife
who departed this Life
Nov^{br} y^e 30th 1753
in the 3^d Year
of his Age

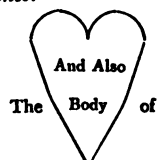
[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies y^e body
of M^s Abigail Sawtell y^e
Wife of Cap^t Ephraim
Sawtell Who Departed
This life Decem^{br} y^e 4th
A D 1753 in y^e 66th
year of her age

[*Skull and Hour-Glass. Cross-Bones.* *Skull and Cross-Bones.* *Skull and Hour-Glass. Cross-Bones.* *Skull and Cross-Bones.*]



Lieut John Holdin
Who Departed This
Life Decm^{br} 27th
A D 1753 in
The 69 year
of his age.



M^s Sarah
Holdin The Wife of Lieut
John Holdin Who
Depart^d This Life decm^{br}
The 21th A D 1753
in the 59th year
of her age.

The son of STEPHEN and HANNAH HOLDEN ; his wife was the daughter of JOHN and MEHITABLE DAVIS, born September 22, 1694. JOHN HOLDEN was taken by the Indians in the year 1697, and held a prisoner during one year and ten months.

1754

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^r Elezer Gillson
Who departed this Life
February y^e 16th 1754
in y^e 59th Year
of his Age.

The son of JOSEPH and HEPSIBAH GILSON ; he married, May 6, 1719, HANNAH, daughter of JOSEPH and HANNAH FARWELL. She was born May 6, 1701, and died May 11, 1762.

[*Cherub.*]

In memory of
 MRS. SARAH TARBELL
 the wife of
 MR. JOHN TARBELL,
 who departed this life
 the 19th of
 April 1754; in the
 29th year of her age.

Her maiden name was PARKER; she was probably the
 daughter of SAMUEL and SARAH PARKER, born December 2,
 1725.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lyes the Body of
 M^r William Pierce
 who departed this
 Life May y^e 16th 1754
 in the 41st year
 of his Age

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies y^e Body of M^r
 James Dickinson who
 Departed This Life July
 y^e 5th A D 1754 in y^e 69th
 Year of his Age

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies y^e body
 of Ephraim Farnsworth
 y^e Son of Leu^t Ezra
 & Abigail
 Farnsworth Who
 Departed This Life
 Sept^{br} y^e 2th A D 1754
 in y^e 8th year of his age

He was born August 9, 1747.

1755

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

ERECTED

In memory of

M^r. Josiah Green,(Son of M^r. Jonathan
Green & M^{rs}. Sarah his
wife) who departed thisLife Dec^r. 28th 1755.In the 28th year
of his Age.

He was born February 26, 1727-8.

1756

[Death's Head.]

Here Lies y^e body of
Thomas Woods Son
of Leut isa^ac Woods Who
Departed this Life Febr^r
10th A D 1756 in y^e 28
year of his ageThe son of ISAAC and ABIGAIL (STEVENS) WOODS, born
December 29, 1728.

[Death's Head.]

Here Lies y^e Body of
Sarah Farnsworth y^e
Daughter of M^r Amos
Farnsworth & M^{rs} Lydia his wife
who Dece^d Sept^r y^e 19th AD 1756
in y^e 20th Year of her AgeThe eldest child of AMOS and LYDIA (LONGLEY) FARNSWORTH,
born October 10, 1736.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies
The Body of Mr James
Green who Departed
This Life Sept^{br} ye 21th
A D 1756 in ye 28th
year of his age

The son of ELEAZER and ANNA (TARBELL) GREEN, born June 19, 1728.

1757

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies the Body of
Cap^t Thomas Tarbell
Who Departed this Life
May the 30th 1757
Aged 69 Years 8 Months
& 5 days

The eldest son of THOMAS and ELIZABETH (WOODS) TARBELL, born September 15, 1687. Two of his brothers, JOHN and ZECHARIAH, and a sister LYDIA, were carried off by the Indians, June 20, 1707, and taken to Canada. The boys afterward married Indian wives, and their descendants are still living among the Indians at St. Regis, a village near the New York State line, on the St. Lawrence River. The epitaph of his brother WILLIAM, born June 10, 1689, appears at the bottom of the opposite page.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies y^e Body of Mr
Benjamin Farnsworth Junr
Who Departed This Life
Augst y^e 31th A D 1757
Aged 20 Years 5 Months
& 28 Days who Died with
Y^e Small pox

The son of BENJAMIN and REBEKAH FARNSWORTH, born February 24, 1736.

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies The Body of M^r
Benjamin Farnsworth Who
Departed This Life Sept^r y^e 18th
A D 1757 Aged 58 Years
7 Months & 22 Days
who Died with y^e small Pox

The son of BENJAMIN and MARY (PRESCOTT) FARNSWORTH,
born January 16, 1699.

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies y^e Body of M^{rs} Abigail
Holdin y^e Wife of M^r Nathanael
Holdin Who Departed This Life
Sept^{br} y^e 29th A D 1757 in y^e 66th
Year of her Age

Her maiden name was STONE ; she was probably the daughter
of Deacon SIMON and SARAH STONE.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies a Daughter
of D^r Oliver Prescott
& m^r, Lydia his wife
Born Nov^r y^e 19th
1757.
Still Born.

Memento Mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

[*Skull
and
Cross-Bones.*]

Here Lies y^e Body of
Lieut William Tarbell Who
Departed This Life Decem^{br} y^e
26th A D 1757 in y^e 69th Year
of His Age

[*Skull
and
Cross-Bones.*]

*Here lies intomb'd in this grave here
A Husband kind, a parent dear
A Neighbour good the poor mans friend
Whom death hath brought unto his end*

1758

Memento [*Hour-Glass.*] Mori[*Cherub's Head.*]

HERE LIES THE BODY OF

M^R JOHN BLOOD

WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE

AUGUST THE 23^D 1758IN THE 70TH YEAR

OF HIS AGE.

The son of JAMES and ABIGAIL BLOOD, born March 16, 1689.
His father was killed by the Indians, September 13, 1692.

[*Skull
and
Cross-Bones.*]

[*Hour-Glass.*]
Memento mori
[*Cherub's Head.*]

[*Skull
and
Cross-Bones.*]

*Halt Passenger as you go past
Remember time it runeth fast
My dust in narrow Bounds do lie
Remember man that thou must die*

<i>From</i>	Here lies the Body of Mr Jacob Lakin who was Born in Groton and departed this Life	<i>Age</i>
<i>Deaths</i>	August the 29 th 1758 Aged 57 Years 8 Months & 22 days	<i>is</i>
<i>Arrist</i>	<i>no</i>	<i>free</i>

*This dust revive it Shal again
And in a grave no more remain
When trumpet Sounds I Shal arise
And Selebrat my God his praise*

The son of JOSEPH and ABIGAIL LAKIN, born December 7, 1700.

Memento mori
[Skull and Cross-Bones.]
 Here lyeth the Body
 of M^r: Anna Lawrance
 the wife of M^r:
 Nathaniel Lawrance,
 who Departed this
 Life Sep^r: 3^d A.D. 1758
 Aged 73 Years 8 month^s
 and 21 Days.

Her maiden name was SCRIPTURE.

	Memento Mori	
	<i>[Death's Head.]</i>	
	Here Lies Buried the Body of	
free	M ^r : Benjamin Stone	From
	Who Departed this Life	
	September the 23 ^d 1758	
	in the	
Is	53 ^d Year	Deaths
	of his Age	
Age	no	Arest

The son of Deacon SIMON and SARAH STONE, born August 12,
 1706.

Memento mori
[Death's Head.]
 Here lies the Body of
 Ensign Obidiah Parker
 who departed this Life
 Sep^r: y^e 28th 1758 in the
 61st year of his Age
 Halt passenger as you go past
 Remember time it runneth fast
 My dust in narrow bounds do lie
 Remember man that thou must die
 This dust revive it shall again
 And in a grave no mor remain
 When trumpet Sounds I shall be raisd
 For this God's holy word hath said

[*Hour-Glass.*]

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

HERE LIES THE BODY OF
M^r JONATHAN GREEN
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
OCTOBER THE 10th 1758
IN THE 58th YEAR
OF HIS AGE.

He married, February 25, 1724-5, SARAH, daughter of JOSIAH
and LUCY LAKIN.

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies the Body of
Benjamin woods the son of
M^r John woods & M^{rs}
sarah his Wife who
Departed this Life
November 19th 1758
Being 19 Years 3 weeks
& 5 days old

He was born October 13, 1739.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^r Jonathan Green Jun^{er}
^{born}
May y^e 11th 1733
and departed this Life
December y^e 22^d 1758
Aged 25 Years 7 months
and 11 days.

The son of JONATHAN and SARAH (LAKIN) GREEN.

1759

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
 Mr David Nutting
 who departed this Life
 Feberuary the 24 1759
 in the 36th Year
 of his Age

The son of EBENEZER and RUTH (SHATTUCK) NUTTING, born
 August 20, 1724.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here Lies the Body of
 sarah Holdin the Daughter
 of M^r. Isaac Holdin
 & M^{rs}. sarah his wife
 who was Born January
 19th & Djed March
 the 6th
 1759

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

	Here lies the Body of	
	Mr John Conn	
<i>From</i>	who departed this Life	<i>Age</i>
	March 16 th 1759	
<i>Death's</i>	in the 76 th Year	<i>is</i>
	of his Age	
<i>Arrist</i>	<i>no</i>	<i>free</i>

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
James Parker y^e 2^d son of
M^r Peter Parker and
M^{rs} Prudence his Wife
who departed this Life
March y^e 27th 1759
in the 3^d Year
of his Age

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^{rs} Esther Parker the Wife of
M^r Abel Parker who was Born in Groton
May the 21th 1726 & departed this Life
April the 5th 1759 Aged
thirty two Years
ten months and
fifteen days

*Halt pashenger as you go past
Remember time it runeth fast
Thy dust in narou Bounds do lie
Remember man that thou must die
This dust revive it shall again
And in a grave no more remain
When trumpet sounds I shall arise
And selebrat my God his Prais*

The daughter of JONATHAN and ELIZABETH (CHAMBERLAIN)
SHATTUCK ; she was married May 10, 1750.

Memento [*Hour-Glass*] Mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

HERE LIES THE BODY OF
CAP^t JOHN STEVENS ESQ^r
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE

APRIEL THE 17th 1759

IN THE 55th YEAR

OF HIS AGE

Here lies y^e

Body of Asa

Child son of M^r

Moses Child &

M^r Sarah his

wife, who died

June 16th 1759.

Aged 2 months

and 8 days.

Here lies y^e Body

of Phebe Daughter

of M^r Israel and M^{rs}

Anna Hobart who

died Nov^{br} 2^d 1759

Aged 2 months & 27

days.

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of

Ase Lawrence y^e son of

Capt^t Amos Lawrence &

M^{rs} Abigail his Wife

who departed this Life

Nov^{br} y^e 6th 1759

Aged 3 Years 5 months

and 6 days

1760

Memento Mori*[Death's Head.]*

Here lies the Body of
 Joshua Richeson the son of
 M^r Converse & M^{rs} Mercy
 Richeson who died Febr^r
 the 6th A D 1760
 Aged 1 year 10 months
 and 2 days

Here lies y^e
 Body of Salla
 Child Daughter
 of M^r Moses
 Child and M^r
 Sarah his wife
 who died May
 25th 1760. Aged
 1 month & 29 day^s.

Memento *[Hour-Glass]* Mori

Here lies the Body of
 M^{rs} sarah Parker the second
 wife to Cap^t samuel Parker
 who departed this Life
 August the 21st A D 1760
 in the 69th year
 of her Age

[A TABLET.]

UNDERNEATH THIS STONE LIES THE BODY OF THE
 REV^d CALEB TROWBRIDGE, late Pastor of the Church
 of Christ in Groton, born of reputable Parents in the Town
 of Newton, educated at Harvard College in Cambridge
 New-England ; of such natural and acquir'd Endowments as
 render'd him an Ornament and Blessing in the several
 Relations which he sustain'd : he was a good steward over the
 House of God, and discharg'd the Duties of his Pastoral
 relation with Prudence and Impartiality, Diligence and
 Fidelity, He was a tender and loving Husband, an affectionate
 and kind Parent ; an agreable and faithful friend ; and a Useful
 Member of Society : He was much belov'd and respected while
 he liv'd, and dyed greatly lamented, the 9th day of sept^r
 A D, 1760, in the 69th year of his Age and 46st of his Ministry,
 and is we trust recieving the reward of his Labours in the
 Kingdom of his Lord : and in Honour to his Memory his loving People
 have erected this Monument over his Grave.
 Blessed are the Dead that die in the Lord for they rest from their
 Labour and their works do follow them.

The Memory of y^e Just is Blessed.

Memento Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies Buried y^e Body of
 M^{rs} Mary Follingesbe Relict
 of M^r Thomas Follingesbe
 who Died october y^e
 20th AD 1760
 Aged about 82 years

Memento [*Hour-Glass*] Mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies y^e Body of Simeon Ames y^e son
of M^r samuel and M^{rs} Hannah Ames. A hope-
ful & promising young man, but cruel
death that regards none snatched him out
of the world in the Bloom of Life, and
early frustrated the fond hopes of
his indulgent Parents, and the
raised Expectation of his
acquaintance, he was much beloved^d
in his Life and greatly Lamented
in his death he died of the small pox
december y^e 10th A D 1760 Aged
19 years 5 months and 6 days
Remember thy Creator in the days of thy
youth for thus saith the Lord I Love them
that Love me and those that seek me early shall find
me.

1761

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lyes the Body of
William Parker Son of
M^r William and M^{rs}
Shusanna Parker who
Died of the small Pox
January y^e 8th A. D. 1761 in
the 20th year of his Age

He was born September 28, 1741. His father's epitaph and
a sister's appear on the next page.

Memento [*Hour-Glass*] mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lyes the Body of
M^r William Parker
who Died of the small Pox
February y^e 1st A D 1761 in
y^e 51st year of his Age

The son of ISAAC and RUTH PARKER, born August 19, 1710;
he married, March 30, 1736, SUSANNA KEMP.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

Here lies the
Body of Joseph
Davis, son of M^r
Benj^r Davis & M^{rs}
Sarah his wife, he
died Feb^r 13th 1761
In y^e 16th year of his age
Likeways Elizabeth there
Daughter died Feb^r 27th 1762.
In y^e 12 month of her age.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lyes the Body of
Sibbel Parker daughter
of M^r William and M^{rs}
Shusanna Parker who
Died of the small Pox
may y^e 10th A D 1761 in the
17th year of her Age

She was born May 1, 1744.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the Body
of Abigail Richardson
Daughter of M^r Abiel &
M^{rs} Sarah Richardson
who died May y^e 13th
1761 in the 8th year
of her age

1762

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^{rs} Hannah Sawtell the
Second wife of Cap^t
Ephraim Sawtell
who departed this
Life March 15th
A. D 1762. Aged 60
^{10 months}
Years, and 9 days

The daughter of JOSEPH and HANNAH FARWELL, born May 6,
1701. She married, May 6, 1719, for her first husband, ELEAZER
GILSON, and March 26, 1755, for her second, EPHRAIM SAWTELL.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^{rs} Prudence Whitney y^e
wife of M^r Shadrach Whitney
who departed this Life
Dec^r 25th A : D : 1762.
in the 68th year of her
Age.

Her maiden name was LAWRENCE ; she was married January
5, 1731-2.

1763

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body
 of M^{rs} Anna Fletcher;
 the wife of M^r Paul-
 Fletcher; who died April
 the 1st A. D. 1763. in the 27th
 year of her Age.

Her maiden name was WILLARD, and she was from Lancaster.
 She was married August 20, 1760.

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies the
 Body of Samuel
 son of M^r Ebenezer
 Patch and M^{rs}
 Sarah his wife
 who died May 20th
 1763 Aged 3 years
 2 months and
 11 days.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
 M^{rs} Deborah Longley
 Relict of Deacon John
 Longley who departed
 this Life Nov^{br} the 7th
 A D 1763 in the 72^d year
 of her Age

Her maiden name was HOUGHTON.

1764

[A TABLET.]

Here lye the remains of Coll^o William
Lawrence, who departed this Life May 19th
A.D. 1764. Anno Ætatis 67.

He was a Gentleman who in military life rose
from the rank of Cap^t Lieu^t to the command of
a Regiment. In the year 1739, he was made a Justice
of the peace afterwards Quorum unus ; a special
Justice of the court of common Pleas for the County
of Middlesex, and a standing Justice of the Court.
He for many years represented the Town of Groton
with the Districts of Pepperrell and Shirley in the
general Assembly of this Province. In all his public
betrustments he acquitted himself with fidelity
and honour. In private life his behavior was
becoming his Christian profession. He was remark-
ably industrious in the improvement of time, Just in his
dealings, a good neighbour, a faithful friend, patient
of injuries and ready to forgive them, gratefull to
Benefactors, very ready in affording assistance to
the widow and fatherless, and mercifull to all proper
Objects of pity. He was a strict observer of the
Lords Day, a constant and serious attender on
the public exercises of Religin, a devout worship-
er of God in his family.

Blessed are the dead who dye in the Lord.
Here also lies the Body of M^{rs} Susanna
Lawrence Relict of the above named Coll^o
William Lawrence

She was a woman of Piety and good Sense,
An industrious, Prudent wife ; an indulgent
Parent, a good Neighbour, a faithfull Friend,
A hater of Hypocrisy and Guile ; a lover of
Hospitality, Patiet under Affliction and Resigned to
The will of Heaven in death by which she
was called out of the world to Receive the
Rewards of a faithfull Servant on the 10th of
Sep^r & in the 80th year of her Age. AD : 1771.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
Mr Shaderah Whitney
who departed this Life
August the 8th A. D 1764
in the 67th Year of
his Age.

from death Arrest no Age is free.

He made his will a few weeks before his death, and bequeathed to the town the sum of £40, the income to be applied to the support of the minister. His wife died December 25, 1762; they probably left no children.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies Buried y^e Body
of Mr Samuel Bowers Son
of Mr Samuel Bowers and
Deborah his wife who
departed this Life August
30th A D 1764 Aged 28 years
8 months and 26 days

He was born December 6, 1735.

Memento mori

[*Death's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^{rs} Mary Wait the wife
of Mr Phinehas Wait
who departed this Life
October y^e 8th A. D. 1764
in the 70th year of her
Age

Her maiden name was HUBBARD : she was married March 14,
1731-2.

1765

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the Body
 of M^r Peter Bulkley,
 Son of John Bulkley
 Esq^r and M^{rs} Abigail
 his wife, who depar-
 ted this Life May
 9th 1765. In the 25th
 year of his age.

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies the
 Body of Ebenezer
 Son of M^r Ebenezer
 Patch & M^{rs} sarah
 his wife who died
 July 8th 1765 Aged
 4 years 5
 months &
 9 days

Hora [*Hour-Glass*] fugit[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lieth the Body of
 Abigail Prescott the Daughter
 of D^r Oliver Prescott and
 M^{rs} Lydia his wife who
 died with the Throat
 Distemper, aug^t 5th 1765.
 age, 5 years, 5 months
 and 16 days.

She was born February 21, 1760.

Memento^{to} mori

[*Skull and Cross-Bones.*]

Here lies the Body of
M^r Lucy Prescott, the
Daughter of the Hon^r
Benj^t Prescott Esq^r and
M^r Abigail his wife, who
died with the Throat-
Distemper Aug^t 10th 1765
Age 37 years, 5 months
and 13 Days.
Blessed are the dead who
die in the Lord.

She was born February 25, 1728-9.

[*Death's Head.*]

Thomas the Son of
D^r Oliver Prescott &
M^r Lydia his wife, who
died with the
Throat Distemper
aug^t 10th 1765
Age 10 months

He was born October 11, 1764.

Memento [*Skull and Cross-Bones*] mori

Here lyeth
the Body of M^r
Nathaniel Lawrance,
who departed this
Life Sep^t 12th A.D. 1765
Aged 87 Years, 6 month^s
and 21 Days.

The son of ENOCH and RUTH (WHITNEY | SHATTUCK)
LAWRENCE, born February 21, 1677-8, at Watertown. The
mother was the widow of JOHN SHATTUCK, when she married
ENOCH.

Memento mori

[*Skull and Cross-Bones.*]

Here lies the Body
of M^r Abigail Prescott,
Relict of the Hon^{ble}
Benjamin Prescott Esq^r
who departed this Life
Sep^r 13th
Annoq ; Domini 1765,
Aged 68 years, 5 months,
19 Days.

The memory of the just is Blesse^d

The daughter of the Honorable THOMAS and MARY (WILSON)
OLIVER. She was the mother of Colonel WILLIAM PRESCOTT.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
Abel Prescott the son
of James Prescott
Esq^r & M^r Susanna his
wife, who died with the
Throat Distemper
Sept^r 17th A. D. 1765.
Aged 5 years, 4 months
24 Days.

He was born April 23, 1760.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

William the son
of James Prescott
Esq^r & M^r Susanna
his wife, who died
with the Throat-
Distemper Sept^r 19th
A : D : 1765.
Aged 3 years, 6
months, 21 Days.

From Death's arrest no Age is free.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Sarah the Daughter
of James Prescott
Esq^r & M^r Susanna
his wife, who died
with the Throat-
Distemper Sept^r 20th
A : D : 1765
Aged 17 months,
17 days.

Memento mori
 [Cherub's Head.]
 Here lies the
 Body of M^{rs} Lucy
 Trobridge, daughter
 of M^r John Woods &
 M^{rs} Sarah his wife, who
 departed this Life
 Decem^r 25th 1765. In
 y^e 31st year of her age.
This monument is Erected
by her father to her memo^y

The daughter of JOHN and SARAH (LONGLEY) WOODS, born
 May 18, 1735, and the first wife of THOMAS TROWBRIDGE.

1766

Memento mori
 [Cherub's Head.]
 Here lies the
 Body of M^{rs} Mary
 Parker wife of Lieu^t
 Benjamin Parker,
 who departed this
 Life June 16th 1766.
 In the 67th year
 of her age.

The daughter of ZECHARIAH and MARY SAWTELL, born April
 11, 1697.

Here lies
 the Body of
 Silas Barron, son of
 M^r Silas parker barron
 & M^{rs} Abigail his wife,
 who died of the 108
 Convulsion-fit Aug^t 7th
 A. D. 1766. Aged 3 week^s
 and 1 day.

GROTON EPITAPHS.

Here
lies the Body
of Rebekah Sawtell
the Daughter of M^r
Jonathan Sawtell &
M^{rs} Mary his wife,
who died Sep^r 5th
A. D. 1766. Aged 1 Year
7 months & 8 Days.

n January 28, 1765.

Here lies
the Body of
Josiah Sartell son
of M^r Ephraim Sartell
Jun^r and M^{rs} Abigail
his wife, who died
October. 26th A. D.
1766. Aged 4 Years,
8 months & 26 Day^s

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies Interred the
Body of M^{rs} Elizebeth
Farnsworth, third wife of
M^r Aaron Farnsworth
Formerly the wife of M^r
Josiah Parker, who depar^{ted}
This Life December 12th
1766. In the 47th Year of
her Age. this Monument
is Erected by Josiah
Parker's Children.

1767

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lieth the Body of
Phinehas Bowers y^e Son of
M^r Samuel Bowers and
M^{rs} Deborah his wife, who
Departed this Life July . 27th
1767.
Age 16 Years, 6 months,
and 15 days,

He was born October 2, 1750.

[*Urn.**Willow Tree and Urn.**Urn.*]

SACRED

to the memory
of

EUNICE SHEPLE

*wife of**Joseph Sheple Esq^r.*

who died

Aug. 1767

Æt. 42.

1768

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies Interred
the Body of Cap^t
Ephraim Sawtell,
who departed this
Life October 8th
1768. In the 83^d year
of his age.

*Dear friends for me pray do not weep,
I am not dead but here do sleep,
Within this solid lump of clay,
Until the Resurrection Day :
And here indeed I must remain,
Till Christ shall rais me up again.*

Here
lies the
Body of Luther
Russell son of M^r
Ephraim Russell
& M^{rs} Miriam his
wife, who died
Novem^r 17th 1768.
Aged 4 months,
3 weeks & 3 days.

Memento [Three Cherubs' Heads] mori

Here lies
Buried the Body of
M^r Samuel Bowers of
Groton, who departed this
Life the Sixteenth
Day of December
Anno Domini 1768.
Half a hour after
Three of the Clock in y^e
Afternoon, and in the
Fifty Eight year
Of his age.

The son of SAMUEL and ESTHER BOWERS, born December 21,
1711. He lived in the present Champney house, where he kept
a tavern during many years.

1769

Memento mori
[Cherub's Head.]
Here lies
Interr'd the Remains
of M^{rs}
Susannah Underwood^d
wife of M^r Joseph^A
Underwood who
Departed this Life
Feb^r 18th 1769. In the
82 Year of her Age.

Memento mori

[Cherub.]

Here lies the Remains of
Miss Mary Lakin the
Daughter of M^r William
Lakin and M^{rs} Miriam
his wife who departed
this Life June 3^d 1769.
In the 28th year of her age.

*Corruption earth and worms,
Shall but refine her flesh ;
Till her triumphant Spirit comes,
To take it on afresh.*

She lived desaired and
died lamented.

She was born April 25, 1742.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

Here lies the
Body of Lieu^t
Benjamin Parker,
who departed
this Life Oct^r 29th
1769. Aged 77
years 10 months & 25
days.

The son of JOSEPH and HANNAH PARKER, born December 3,
1691 ; he married, October 23, 1718, MARY SAWTELL.

1770

Here
 lies y^e Body
 of Lucy Tarbell
 Daughter of M^r
 Oliver & M^{rs} Lucy
 Tarbell who di-
 ed Jan^y 14th 1770
 Aged 2 years 7
 months & 8 days.

[Cherub.]

Here lies the
 Body of Sarah Daugh^{ter}
 of M^r Ebenezer Patch
 and M^{rs} Sarah his
 wife who died April
 2^d 1770 Aged 13 years
 6 months
 and 18
 days.

She was born September 15, 1756.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

Here lies the Body
 of M^{rs} Mary Page wife
 of Ensign Jonathan^{of}
 Page who departed
 this Life May 22^d
 1770. In the 90th Yea
 of her Age.

*This Monument is Erected by her
 son Benjamin Page.*

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

Here lies Inter'd the Remains of
ABEL Lawrence Esq^r son of y^e late Col^l
 W^m Lawrence & Susanna his wife,
 Being formed by y^e God of y^e Spirits of all
 flesh with Superiour intalletual abilities^s
 he was Called forth in Early life to the
 mannagement of publick bussiness, and
 acquitted himself with honour, he was
 for Several years a member of y^e General
 Court, a Justice of y^e peace ; he was affable
 in his Disposition when he saw any in
 Distress he felt for them, & was ready to
 Releve them to the utmost of his power.
 Beleiving a state of immortality, he endav-
 oured to secure happiness therein, by the
 Exercise of Repentance towards God & faith
 in Christ, after patiently Endureing a long
 and distressing illness, he submitted to
 the Stroke of all Conquering death
 on the 20th of September *AD* 1770.
 Anno *Ætatis* 41.

Memento mori

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies y^e Body
 of M^{rs} Elizabeth
 Moors wife of M^r
 Abraham Moors
 who departed
 this Life Decem^r
 4th 1770 In the
 73^d year of her age.

Her maiden name was GILSON.

1771

Memento mori
[Cherub's Head.]
 Here lies the
 Body of M^r Samuel
 Barron who de-
 parted this Life
 June 9th 1771. In
 the 88th year
 of his Age.

By his will he left to the Church of Christ in Groton the sum
 of thirteen pounds, five shillings, and four pence, the interest to
 be used for the benefit of the poor.

Here lies the
 Body of Darling
 Blood the Son
 of M^r Oliver
 Blood and M^{rs}
 Sarah his wife
 who died Sep^r 18th
 1771 aged 2 years 4
 M. & S D.

The maiden name of this child's mother was DARLING.

Here lies the Body
 of Sarah Daughter
 of M^r Ebenezer
 Patch and M^r
 Sarah his wife
 who died Nov^r 5th
 1771 Aged
 9 months and
 4 days.

1772

[Cherub.]

Here lies

y^e Body of Bela Ware
 Son of D^r Ephraim
 & M^r Martha Ware
 who Died Feb^r 27th
 1772 Aged 7 months
 & 15 days.

Fresh as the Morn
The fragrant bud hangs withered
Ere its Blown

[Cherub's Head.]

Memento mori

Here lies inter'd
 the Remains of M^r
 John Lawrence son of
 Abel Lawrence Esq. &
 M^r Mary his wife who
 suddenly departed
 this Life by Being
 Drownded June 8th
 1772. In the 19th year
 of his Age.

One of twins, born October 14, 1752.

[Cherub's Head.]

In Memory of

M^r BENJAMIN PAGE,
 who *Departed* this Life
 September the 3^d, 1772.
 in the 54th Year
 of his age.

the Sweet Remembraance of Y^e Just
 Shall flourish When he sleeps in Dust.

The son of JONATHAN and MARY PAGE, born July 19, 1719;
 he married SARAH WILLARD, of Lancaster.

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the
Body of M^r. Josiah
Boyden, who departed
this Life Oct^r.

17th 1772. in y^e 72^d
year of his age.

Also 8 of his Children 5
sons & 3 daughters all
lyeing near this place.

The son of JONATHAN and ELIZABETH BOYDEN, born September 21, 1701.

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies the
Body of Joseph
Stone son of M^r.
Nathaniel Stone
& M^{rs}. Sybel his
wife who died
Nov^r. 10th 1772.
Aged 2 years.

He was born December 19, 1769.

[Cherub's Head.]

COL. JOHN BULKLEY,
whose remains are here entomb'd,
departed this Life Dec^r y^e 3^d AD. 1772. Æ. 69.
much lamented by those who knew him.
He left a sorrowful widow, four Daughters &
one son, named JOHN by whom this family
tomb was built; who also departed this Life Dec^r y^e
14th AD 1774. Æ 26. & whose remains are here
deposited.

He was educated at Harvard College and took the
degree of A.B. & A.M. In the years 1769 and 1772. A good
natural genius improv'd by a liberel Education he employ'd
in the study of Law but had only practiced as an attorney
a sufficient time to raise in his friends the most (sanguine) hopes
of whatever great or good could reasonably be expected from an
honest & benevolent heart, influenced by a good understanding
and a prudent disposition, before a period was put to his Actions
and designs; & his numerous Acquaintance were call'd to lament
the death of a dutiful son—a loving brother—a faithful friend—a
kind neighbour—a good citizen—an honest man.

 *Amicus patriae, generis humani Amicus.*

1773

Memento mori

[Cherub.]

Here lies Buried y^e

Body of M^r

Prudence Warren

wife of M^r Abijah

Warren; she depar-

ted this Life Feb^r

1th 1773. Aged 23

Years. Likeways a

little babe still born

10 days before she

died.

Her maiden name was LAWRENCE, and she was from Hollis,
New Hampshire.

[Bird.]

Here lies y^e Body
 of Joshua Richard^{son},
 son of M^r Convers
 & M^r Marcy Rich-
 ardson, who died
 March 15th 1773. Age^d
 6 months & 4 days.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

Here lies y^e remains of
 Mrs. Sarah Woods y^e wife
 of Leiu^t John Woods,
 who departed this Life
 March. 28th 1773. aged 67^{years}.

*A faithful wife, a tender mo-
 ther, a diligent & prudent mistress
 of a Family, & a pious christian,
 She lived beloved, died lamen-
 ted, with a comfortable hope
 of entering into y^e joy of her Lord.
 Her children arise up & call her bles-
 sed; her husband also & he praiseth
 (her.*

The daughter of JOHN and SARAH (PRESCOTT) LONGLEY, born
 March 28, 1706.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

ERECTED

In memory of
 Miss Eunice Green
 (Daughter of M^r
 Jonathan & M^r Sarah
 Green) who depart-
 ed this Life April y^e
 1st 1773. In y^e 20th year
 of her Age.

Stephen Son
to the Rev^d M^r
Samuel Dana
and Anna his
wife ; died July
2^d 1773. aged 17 days.

Memento mori
[Cherub.]
Here lies the
Body M^{rs} Lucy
Moors wife of M^r
Joseph Moors
who departed
this Life August
26th 1773, In the
33^d year of her
age.

Her maiden name was STONE ; she was married July 22, 1761.

Memento mori
[Cherub.]
HERE lies the
Body of M^{rs}
Hannah Blood,
wife of M^r Caleb
Blood, she de-
parted this Life
Sep^r 1st 1773. Aged
38 years 1 month
and 26 days.

The daughter of JOHN and SARAH (DAVIS) HOLDEN, born
June 24, 1735 ; she was married November 1, 1753.

[*Death's Head.*]

In Memory of
MOLEY WILLIAMS
Dau^t of M^r
JOHN and M^{rs}
MOLEY WILLIAMS,
she Died Sep^r 24,
1773:
Aged 14 Months
and 14 Days.

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies the
Body of Mar^y
Richardson, the
Daughter of M^r
Convars and M^{rs}
Mary Richardson.
who died Sep^r
26th 1773 aged 12
Years 4 months & 9 D.

[*Cherub.*]

IN memory of
Amos Lawrance
son of Lieu^t, Amos
Lawrance & M^{rs}
Betty his wife
who died Oct^r
4th 1773. Aged
4 days.

[*Death's Head.*]
 In Memory of
 JOHN WILLIAMS
 Son of M^r. JOHN &
 M^{rs}. MOLEY WILLIAMS
 he Died Oct^r. Y^e 29,
 1773.
 Aged two year
 And ten Months
 And one Day.

Memento mori
 [*Cherub's Head.*]
 Here lies Buried
 the Body of Cap^t.
 Nathaniel Parker,
 who departed
 this Life, Nov^r. y^e
 24th 1773. In the
 53^d year of his
 Age.

The son of BENJAMIN and MARY (SAWTELL) PARKER, born
 July 17, 1721.

1774

Memento mori
 [*Cherub's Head.*]
 Here lies the
 Body of M^r.
 Ruben Woods
 who
 departed this
 Life Oct, 17th
 1774. In the 64th
 Year of his age.

The son of NATHANIEL and ALICE WOODS, born April 11,
 1711; he married, June 11, 1741, SUBMIT, widow of TIMOTHY
 WHITNEY.

Memento mori

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies the
Body of M^{rs} Sarah
Ames wife of
M^r Robert Ames
who departed
this Life Nov^r
23th 1774. In the
33 Year of her
age.

The daughter of ISAAC and ABIGAIL (STEVENS) WOODS, born
August 17, 1742.

Here lies the
Body of Suiel
Corning Stone
son of M^r Daniel
Stone & M^{rs} Pattie
his wife He died
Dec^r 4th 1774
Aged 6 months
& two days

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the
Body of M^r
Jason Williams
who departed
the Life Dec^r 8th
1774 In the 53^d
year of his age.

The son of JASON and MARY WILLIAMS, born December 25,
1721 ; he married, April 5, 1749, JEMIMA, daughter of JONATHAN
and MARY (GREEN) NUTTING, born September 19, 1720.

1775

Memento mori
[Cherub's Head.]
 Here lies y^e Body
 of Deacon Daniel
 Farnsworth who
 departed this Life
 Jan^y 27th 1775 In the
 83^d year of his Age

The son of JOHN and HANNAH (ALDIS) FARNSWORTH, born May 11, 1692 ; he married, October 20, 1725, ABIGAIL, widow of DANIEL SHED.

Memento mori
[Cherub's Head.]
 In this Grave
 is deposited the
 Remains of Lieu^t
 Isaac Woods, who
 departed this Life
 on y^e 31st of March 1775
 In y^e 76th year of his age.

The son of NATHANIEL and ALICE WOODS, born February 20, 1699-1700 ; he married, September 21, 1725, ABIGAIL STEVENS.

Memento mori
[Cherub.]
 Here lies Buried the
 Body of M^{rs} Sarah Wait
 wife of Lieu^t Phinehas
 Wait who departed this
 Life May 9th 1775 In the
 35th year of her Age
 Likewise 2 Children lying at
 her feet Joseph died June 23^d
 1774 Aged 3 months and 22 day^s
 Phinehas died Aug^t 10th 1775
 Aged 3 months and 1 day.

Her maiden name was PIERCE, and she was from Pepperell.

IN memory of
Isaac Allan
son of M^r Joseph
Allan & M^{rs} Mary
his wife. He
died May 17th
1775. Aged 5
months & 17 days.

[*Cherub's Head.*]
IN memory of
Miriam Whitney
Holden (Daughter
of M^r Nehemiah
& M^{rs} Elizabeth
Holden) who
died Aug^t 4th 1775.
Aged 7 years 6
months & 15 days.

M^{rs} Sarah
Ames
Here lies the Body
of Molley Ames the
Daughter of M^r Robert
& M^{rs} ^{Sarah} Ames, who died
Aug^t 6th 1775 In the
3^d Year of her age.

STEPHEN
Son of the Rev'd
Samuel Dana &
Anna his wife
was born May
the 29th 1774.
and died Aug^t
the 6th 1775.

Memento mori

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies Buried
the Body of M^{rs} Emm^a
Stone daughter of M^r
Benjamin Stone and
M^{rs} Emme his wife
who departed this
Life Aug^t 10th 1775
In the 22^d year
of her Age

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the Body
of Samuel Moors
son of Cap^t Joseph
Moors & M^{rs} Lucy
his wife ^{He} died Aug^t
12th 1775. Aged 10
years 7 months &
16 days.

[*Cherub.*]

In memory of
Abigail Lawrance
daughter of Lieu^t
Amos Lawrance
& M^{rs} Betty his wife,
who died Aug^t
13th 1775. Aged 10
months & 4 days.

Here lies y^e Body
of Luther Page, son
of M^r Joseph Page
and M^{rs} Eunice ^(Junt)
his wife, who died
Aug^t 13th 1775.
Aged 3 years

Memento mori

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies y^e Body
of Miss Miriam
Lakin Daughter
of M^r William &
M^{rs} Miriam Lakin
who departed
this Life Aug^t 14th
1775. Aged 20
years & 4 mon^t

The sweet Remembrance of ^{(the just}
Shall flourish when they sleep
^{(in dust.}

Here lies the
Body of Lucy
Moors Daughter
of Cap^t Joseph
Moors & M^{rs} Lucy
his wife who
departed this Life
Aug^t 17th 1775. Aged
6 years 11 months
& 11 days.

Here lies the
Body of Peggy
Quailes Daughte^r
of M^r Charles
Quailes and M^{rs}
Susanna his wife
who died Aug^t
17th 1775. Aged 17
months & 28 days.

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the
Body of Miss Anna
Pierce, Daughter of
M^r William Pierce
and M^{rs} Sarah
his wife ; who died
Aug^t 18th 1775.
Aged 22 Years 4
months & 26 days.

Here lies the
Body of Philome^{la}
Lawrence Daught^{er}
of Cap^t Asa Lawrenc^e.
and M^{rs} Abigail his
wife she was a
Desireable Young
babe who died
Aug^t 19th 1775. Aged
10 months.

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies y^e Body
of Miss Olive
Fletcher daughter
of M^r Oliver and
M^{rs} Olive Fletcher
who departed
this Life Aug^t 24th
1775 Aged 14
years & 11 mon^t

Here lies the
 Body of Elizabeth
 Champney,
 Daughter of M^r
 Eben^r Champney
 and Abigail his
 wife, She died
 Aug^t 27th 1775. In y^e
 6th Year of her age

Memento mori
 [Cherub.]
 Here lies y^e Body
 of M^{rs} Susanna
 Quailes wife of
 M^r Charles Quailes
 who departed this
 Life Aug^t 28th 1775.
 Aged 25 years, 9
 mon^t & 25 days.

Tradition says that she was one of the patriotic women, who, in April, 1775, arrested Captain LEONARD WHITING, of Hollis, New Hampshire, near what is now Jewett's bridge, over the Nashua River. He was a noted tory and a bearer of despatches from Canada to the British in Boston.

Here lies the
 Body of Eben^r
 Champney,
 Son of M^r Eben^r
 Champney and
 M^{rs} Abigail his
 wife, he died
 Aug^t 29th 1775. In y^e
 19th month of his Age.

Here lies the
 Body of Sally
 Champney,
 Daughter of M^r
 Eben^r Champne^y
 and Abigail his
 wife She died
 Aug^t 29th 1775. In
 the 3^d year of her ^{(Age}

Memento [Cherub] mori

M^r ABIGAIL KENRICK
 Widow of CAP^t CALEB
 KENRICK, left her
 pleasant habitation
 in Newton, & came to
 her Daught^r Dana's
 in Groton, on account^A
 of y^e civil War & Sep^t 5.
 1775. Æ. 76. was remov-
 ed by a dysentery, to that
 place where y^e wicked cea^{so}
 from troubling & y^e weary
 are at rest.

Her maiden name was BOWEN, and her daughter was married
 to the Reverend SAMUEL DANA.

[Cherub.]

Here lies the Body
 of Samuel son of M^r
 Ebenezer Patch
 and M^r sarah his
 wife who died sep^t
 9th 1775.
 Aged 10 years
 and 2 months.

Here lies the
 Body of Mary
 Bowers, Daught^{er}
 of M^r Isaac
 Bowers & M^{rs}
 Priscilla his wife
 who died Sep^r
 21st 1775. Aged 5
 Years 8 months
 and 17 days.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the Body of
 Joseph son of M^r Ephraim
 & M^{rs} Azubah Parker,
 who died Sep^r 22^d 1775
 Aged 5 years & 2 month
 Also in Memory of M^r
 Nehem^{ah} son of y^e above
 nam'd persons, who died
 in his Country service
 at *Ticonderoga* Oct^r 22^d
 1776. In y^e 19th year of his
 age.

Here lies the
 Body of Sarah
 Bowers, Daughter
 of M^r Isaac Bowers
 and M^{rs} Priscilla
 his wife, who
 died Sep^r 25th
 1775. Aged 4 years
 one month and
 21 days.

Here lies the Body
of Ebenezer son
of M^r Ebenezer
Patch and M^{rs}
Sarah his wife
who died sep^r 30th
1775 Aged 2 years
10 months and
22 days.

Memento mori
[*Cherub's Head.*]
Here lies Buried
the Body of M^r
Jonathan Lawranc^e
Son of M^r Jonathan
Lawrance and M^{rs}
Esther his wife
He depa^rted this
Life Oct^r 1st 1775.
Aged 21 Years 11
months & 17 days.

Here lies the
Body of Simeon
Shed, Son of M^r
William Shed
and M^{rs} Elizabet^h
his wife, who
died Oct^r 5th
1775. Aged 2 Years
one month &
28 days.

Memento mori

[Cherub.]

Here lies Buried
the Body of M^r
Abigail Champney
wife of M^r Eben^r
Champney and
Daughter of y^e Late
Rev^d Caleb Trowbrid^g
She died Oct^r 23^d
1775. in y^e 36 Year
of her Age

The daughter of the Reverend CALEB and HANNAH (WALTER)
TROWBRIDGE, born November 30, 1740.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

Here lies Buried
the Body of M^r Amos
Farnsworth who was
Drowned in Lancaster^a
Rever Decem^r 5th
1775. Aged 71 years
and 6 days.

*Tho in deep water was my Body lost,
And found before it was crumbl'd into dust,
And Buried here as this doth lay,
Till trumpet sound at the last day. —
And tho in Adam all mankind did die,
But yet in Christ we may grim death
(defie.*

The son of BENJAMIN and MARY (PRESCOTT) FARNSWORTH,
born November 27, 1704. AMOS and his son, BENJAMIN, were
both drowned while crossing the Nashua River in a boat. His
body was not found until the next March, but BENJAMIN's was
recovered on the next day. The son's epitaph immediately
follows this one.

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the
Body of Benjamin
Farnsworth son of
M^r Amos Farnsworth
and M^{rs} Lydia his
wife, who was drown-
ed on the 5 day of
Dec^rember 1775.
Aged 18 years one
moⁿth and 11 days.

1776

[*Cherub's Head.*]

IN Memory of
M^r Benjⁿ Green,
who Departed
this Life Jan^y 23^d
1776. In the
year of his
Age.

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies the
Body of Isaac
Dodge son of
Lieut Isaac
Dodge and M^{rs}
Elizabeth his
wife, who died
March 6th 1776,
Aged 12 month
and 29 days

GROTON EPITAPHS.

Here lies the
Body of Benjamⁱⁿ
Bancroft Son of
M^r Thaddeus
Bancroft & M^r
Bulah his wife
He died March
8th 1776 Aged 3
months & 15 days.

Here lies the
Body of Joshua
Lakin son of M^r
Joseph Lakin &
M^r Jerushah
his wife who
died March 15th
1776. Aged 9
months & 26 day^s

Here lies the
Body of Prudenc^e
Warren Daughte^r
of M^r Abijah &
M^r Prudence
Warren she
died May 1st 1776
Aged 6 years 9
months & 22 days.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

In Memory of

Cap^t Samuel Tarbell
who departed this Life
May, 23^d at 3 a clock after
noon 1776 Aged 78 Years
4 months and 14 days

Halt passenger as you go past
Remember time it runneth fast
My dust in narrow bounds do ly
Remember man that thou must die
This dust revive it shall again
And ⁱⁿ a grave no more remain
When trumpet sound I shall be rais'd
For this God's holy word hath said

The son of THOMAS and ELIZABETH (WOODS) TARBELL, and
brother of the three children carried off by the Indians, June
20, 1707. He married, December 29, 1725, LYDIA, daughter of
BENJAMIN and MARY (PRESCOTT) FARNSWORTH.

[Cherub's Head.]

Memento mori

HERE lies y^e Body
OF
Lieu^t William
Nutting who
Departed this
Life June 2^d 1776.
In the 64th year
of his age.

The son of JONATHAN and MARY (GREEN) NUTTING, born
November 20, 1712; he married, January 18, 1737-8, JOAN
BOYNTON.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

HERE lies the
Body of M^r Abijah
Warren, who
departed this
Life Oct^r y^e 6th 1776.
In the 40th year
of his age.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

Here lies the Body
of M^r Nathaniel Ston^r,
son of M^r Nathaniel
Stone & M^{rs} Sybel
his wife who died
in his Countrys ser-
vice on Dorchester-
Hill Oct^r 22^d 1776.
Aged 17 years one
month & 22 days,

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

HERE lies the
Body of M^r Simon
Patch who was
wounded in y^e de-
fence of his Country
at y^e White-plains
Oct^r 28th 1776 and
died of his wound
Dec^r 31st 1776 in y^e
28th year of his age.

The son of EBENEZER and SARAH PATCH, born July 11, 1749.
He was brought home on a litter from White Plains, a distance
of about two hundred miles, accompanied by his elder brother.
The litter was made by fitting the but-ends of some small trees
into the stirrups of a saddle, and putting a sack of hay behind
on the branches.

1777

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here ^{lies} the Body of
 Timothy Blood, son
 of M^r Caleb Blood &
 M^{rs} Elizabeth his
 wife, He died Jan^y
 13th 1777. Aged one
 year 9 months and
 26 days.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori
 Here lies
 the Body of M^r
 Ebenezer Patch
 who departed this
 Life Jan. 19th 1777
 In the 58th
 year of his
 Age.

[*Cherub's Head.*]*Memento mori*

HERE
 Lies the Body
 OF
 M^r Peter Parker
 who departed
 this Life March
 y^e 28th 1777 In
 the 31st year of
 his age.

The son of PETER and PRUDENCE (LAWRENCE) PARKER, born
 January 15, 1747.

[*Cherub.*]

Here lies the
 Body of Rebecca
 Stone Daughter
 of M^r: Jonas Stone
 and M^r: Rebecca
 his wife who
 died May. 19th
 1777. Aged 4 years
 2 months & 10 days

[*Cherub's Head.*]*Memento mori*

Here lies Buried
 the Body of
 M^r: Phinehas Wait
who departed this Life
 May 30th 1777. In
 the 69th year of
 his Age.

He married, March 14, 1731-2, MARY HUBBARD.

[*Cherub's Head.*]*Memento mori*

HERE lies the
 Body of M^r:
 JOSEPH STONE,
 who departed this
 Life Sep^r: 10th 1777.
 In y^e 75th year of his age

*The memory of the
 Just is blessed.*

[Cherub.]

Moley Williams
 2 Dau^r of Cap^t
 John Williams
 & M^{rs} Moley his
 wife, who Died
 Nov^r 7th 1777 ;
 Aged 20 Days.

[Cherub's Head.]

Memento mori

Here lies
 the Body of M^r
 JONAS FLETCHER,
 who departed this
 Life Dec^r 1777.
 Aged 83
 years.

1778

In Memory of M^r. James
 Park (Son of M^r. William
 Park Stone Cutter & M^{rs} Anna
 his wife) He was Born In
 Scotland in y^e Barronre of
 Glasgow March 19th 1741.
 And Died Feb^r 23^d 1778.

*He died no Libertine. there is two Extremes,
 the world has always run into, since y^e fall of Adam.
 1st Papists here have exceded in boundlesse domi-
 nation & tyranny over y^e consciences of men : &
 what ever is contrary to y^e lawlesse decrees of there
 Councells & Popes, is an unexpiable heresie, & cannot
 be purged but by fire & fagot. 2. Whoever refuse
 subjection of conscience to that Enemy of Christ, &
 to that woman-mistresse of witchcraft, on whose
 skirts is found y^e Blood of y^e martyrs of Jesus, is
 Presently an heretick, & his arguments answered
 with burning-quicke, this tyranny over conscience we
 disclaime ; yet for that ought not y^e other extremity
 of wild toleration to be imbraced.*

[*Cherub's Head.*]
Memento mori
 IN Memory of
 M^r William Green
who Departed
this Life May. 7th
 1778. In the
 80th year of
 his Age.

He married, March 9, 1726-7, HANNAH HOLDEN, probably the daughter of STEPHEN and HANNAH HOLDEN.

In Memory of
 Joseph Stone
 son of M^r Nath^l
 Stone & M^{rs}
 Sibel his wife
 who died Aug^t
 14th 1778. Aged
 2 years 7 mon^t & 8
 days.

[*Cherub's Head.*]
 Here lies the
 Body of EZRA
son of the
 Rev^d Samuel Dana
 and M^{rs} Anna his
 wife born Augst y^e
 11th AD. 1778. *Died*
 Sep^t y^e 27th AD. 1778.

[*Cherub.*]
 IN Memory of
 Salley Stone
 daug^{hter} of M^r
 Jonas Stone & M^{rs}
 Rebekah his wife
who died Sep^t. 30th
 1778 *Aged 1 year 5*
months & 21 days

[Cherub.]

Here lies
the Body of
Dradamy Lawre^{nca}
Daughter of Cap^t
Asa Lawrence &
M^{rs} Abigail his wife
who died Oct^r 18th
1778 In the 7th year
of her Age.

*Her social soul O How sublime,
Her mind sedate serene,
Sweet sympathy Possess her heart,
Engaging was her mind.*

Here lies
the Body of
Oratio-Gaits
Lawrence (Son of
Cap^t Asa Lawrence
& M^{rs} Abigail his
wife) who died
Oct^r 27th 1778 Aged 4
months & 16 days.

Fresh in y^e morn y^e sumer
hangs Wither'd ere its noon
We scarce enjoy y^e B^lmy Gift
But mourn y^e Pleasure Gon^e

Memento mori

[Cherub.]

ERECTED

IN memory of
 M^{rs} Lydia Tarbell,
The wife of Capt.
Samuel Tarbell
 who departed
 this Life Nov^r 11th
 1778. Aged 72
 Years & 15 days.

The daughter of BENJAMIN and MARY (PRESCOTT) FARNSWORTH, born September 26, 1706 ; she was married December 29, 1725.

1779

[Cherub.]

In Memory of
 Elizabeth Farr
 (Daughter of M^r
 Thomas Farr &
 M^{rs} Mary his
 wife) who Died
 Feb^r 24th 1779.
 In the 19th month
 of her age.

Mr. BUTLER, in his "History of Groton" (page 399), says that THOMAS FARR was a soldier in General BURGOTNE'S army.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

To the Memory of
A Beloved Friend.

Here lies the Body of
Lieu^t HEZEKIAH SAWTELL
Who Departed this Life March Y^e 18th
1779 in the 77th Year of his age :
in his life he Was a Kind & Loving Husband
a tender and Provident Parent, a
Friendly and Benevolent Neighbour,
Singularly Pitiful and Liberal,
to the Poor, Needy, and Distress'd
his life useful his Death Lamented.

stop Passenger as You Go by
Remember You Was born to die
As You are Now So Once Was I
As I am Now So You Must be
Prepare For Death and Follow me

The son of OBADIAH and HANNAH SAWTELL, born March 2,
1703: he married JOANNA WILSON.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

IN Memory of M^r
JOSEPH CHASE,
who departed
this Life Dec^r 20th
1779. In the 61st
year of his Age

1780

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED

to the memory of

MR. ABRAHAM MOORS

A mild, humane, and honest man, a peaceable and regular citizen ; an affectionate and tender husband and parent ; eminent for piety, industry and frugality. He departed this life March 1780, in the 88th year of his age, inspired by the refining influences of the gospel with a rational and sure hope of a glorious resurrection.

He is supposed to have come from England in the early part of the last century ; he married, November 21, 1717, ELIZABETH, daughter of JOSEPH and ELIZABETH GILSON.

*Memento mori**[Cherub.]*

ERECTED

In memory of

M^{rs} Hannah White,*Wife of**M^r. Thomas White*

who departed this

Life May 26th 1780. Inthe 44th year of her age.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

IN Memory of M^r
 SAMUEL BOYDEN,
 who departed this
 Life Nov^r 23^d, 1780.
 In the 30th
 year of his
 age.

*The sweet Remembrance of y^e Just
 Shall flourish when he sleep^s in dust.*

The son of JOSIAH and JANE BOYDEN, born May 25, 1751.

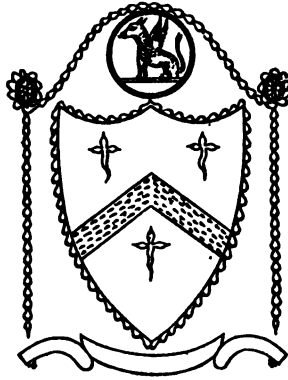
1781

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

M^{rs} Elizabeth Carrieⁿ
 wife of Cap^t
 Jonathan Carriell
 Formerly of Sutton
 who died Jan^r 9th
 1781. In y^e 44th
 year of her age.

[Cherub's Head.]



IN Memory of
 JONATHAN CLARK-
 LEWIS ESQ^r who
 Departed this
 Life April. 7th
 1781. In the 37th
 year of his
 Age.

[Cherub.]

IN Memory of Miss
 MARY DOLE,
 Daug^r of M^r Amos &
 M^r Molley Dole, who
 departed this Life
 Aug^t 3^d 1781. Aged
 18 years 9 months
 and 19 days.

*This Monument is erected to her
 Memory, by her mother, at the
 desire of Solomon Russell, her
 intended Partner.*

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

ERECTED

IN memory of

M^{rs} Alice Bancroft,
(Consort of Deacon
Benjamin Bancroft)*who departed this Life*Nov^r. 29th 1781 Aged
51 years 8 months &
25 days.

The daughter of WILLIAM and MARY (FARNSWORTH) TARBELL,
born March 4, 1729-30; she was married October 18, 1749.

Memento mori

[Cherub.]

ERECTED

IN memory of

M^{rs} Abigail Woods
Relect of Lieu^t. Isaac
Woods who departed
this Life Dec^r. 24th
1781. In the 80th year
of her Age.

Her maiden name was STEVENS; she was married September
21, 1725.

1782

[Cherub.]

ERECTED

IN memory of

M^{rs} Deborah Amaes,
(wife of M^r.
Nathan Amaes)who died April 7^e 8th
1782. Aged 35 years
6 months & 24
days.

Memento mori

[Cherub.]

Erected IN memory
of M^{rs} Sarah Farnsworth^A
(wife of M^r

Ebenezer Farnsworth)

She departed this

Life April 13th 1782.

In the 43^d year
of her age.

*Likewise Polly their Daughter,
who was born April y^e 8th and
Died y^e 25th 1782.*

Her maiden name was NICHOLS; she was married February
18, 1767.

[Cherub's Head.]

Memento mori

ERECTED

IN memory of

Lieu^t JOHN WOODS,
who departed this Life

May 7th 1782.

In the 85th year
of his age.

The son of NATHANIEL and ALICE WOODS, born March 4,
1698; he married, June 3, 1725, SARAH, daughter of JOHN and
SARAH (PRESCOTT) LONGLEY, born March 28, 1706.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

HERE LIES BURIED

the Body of

M^{rs} Sarah Green,(Relict of M^r. JONATHAN GREEN)*who departed this Life*Dec^r. 8th 1782. Aged 77

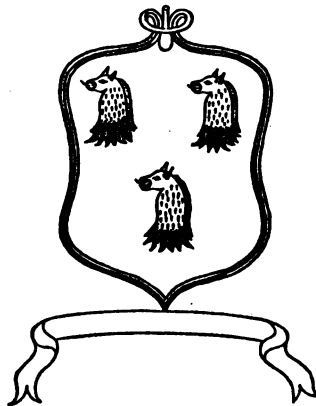
years 6 months & 27 days.

*Bless'd are the dead, yea saith the word,**That die in Christ the living Lord,**And on the other side of death**Thus joyful spend their praising breath.*

The daughter of JOSIAH and LUCY LAKIN, born May 12, 1705;
she was married February 25, 1724-5.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]



[Cherub's Head.]

IN THIS

Grave are Inter'd

the remains of

M^r. JONAS CUTLER*who departed this Life*Dec^r. y^e 19th Anno Domini

1782. Aged 55 years

*This Monument was Erected to**his Memory by his Loving wife*

JEMIMA CUTLER

1783

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

HERE lies Buried

the Body of

Deacon JAMES STONE

*who departed this Life*Feb^r y^e 27th 1783.*Aged 82 Years & 24 days.**Blest is the Memory of the Just**Though they be sleeping in y^e Dust**And happy shall be when they Rise**Through grace to shine among y^e wise**In Relms of Light & Peace above**To sing & Praise Redeeming Love.*

The son of JOHN and SARAH STONE, born January 23, 1701 ;
he married, December 28, 1726, MARY, daughter of JOSEPH and
HANNAH FARWELL, born February 5, 1709, and sister of his
brother JOHN's wife.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

HERE LIES

Buri'd the Body of

Cap^t Solomon Woods,

who was Killed by the

Fall of a Tree May y^e 3^d1783. In y^e 36th year

of his Age.

The son of ISAAC and ABIGAIL (STEVENS) WOODS, born August
29, 1747.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ABIGAIL PRESCOTT

daughter of Hon^{le}

OLIVER PRESCOTT Esq.

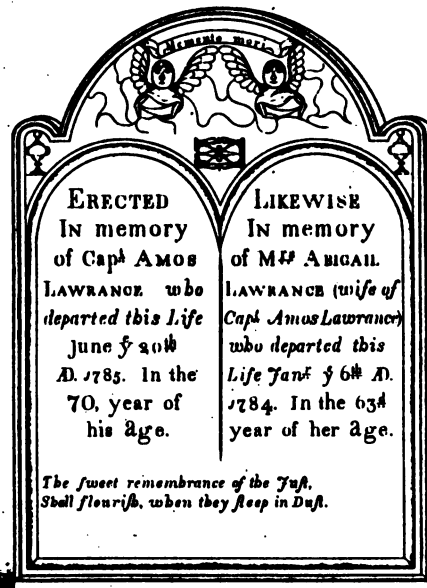
& Mrs. LYDIA his wife

died Oct^r 6th 1783

aged 15 years & 3

months.

An amiable Girl.



ERECTED
IN memory
of Capt AMOS
LAWRANCE who
departed this Life
June 5th 1785. In the
70. year of
his age.

LIKEWISE
IN memory
of M^{rs} AMCAIL
LAWRANCE (wife of
Capt Amos Lawrance)
who departed this
Life Jan^y 5th 1784. In the 63^d
year of her age.

*The sweet remembrance of the Just,
Shall flourish, when they sleep in Dust.*

1784

		<i>Memento mori</i>		
[Urn.]	[Cherub's Head.]	[Hour-Glass.]	[Cherub's Head.]	[Urn.]
	ERECTED		LIKEWISE	
	IN memory		IN memory	
	of Cap ^t . AMOS		of M ^{rs} . ABIGAIL	
	LAWRANCE <i>who</i>		LAWRANCE (<i>wife of</i>	
	<i>departed this Life</i>		<i>Cap^t. Amos Lawrance</i>)	
	June y ^e 20 th		<i>who departed this</i>	
	A.D. 1785. In the		<i>Life Jan^y 6th A.D.</i>	
	70, year of		1784. In the 63 ^d	
	his Age.		year of her Age.	
	<i>The sweet remembrance of the Just,</i>			
	<i>Shall flourish when they sleep in Dust.</i>			

The youngest son of JOHN and ANNA (TARBELL) LAWRENCE, born February 19, 1715-6; he married, November 7, 1749, ABIGAIL, daughter of Deacon NEHEMIAH and SARAH (FOSTER) ABBOTT, of Lexington. She was born January 26, 1721.

[Cherub's Head.]
Moley Williams
3^d Dau^r. of Cap^t.
John Williams
& M^{rs}. Moley his
wife who Died
Feb^y 22^d, 1784;
Aged 17 Months.

Memento mori
[Cherub's Head.]
IN Memory of
M^{rs}. Mary Tarbell
wife of
Lieu^t. William Tarbell
who departed this Life
Feb^y 29th 1784.
Aged 88 years
1 month and 24 days.

The daughter of BENJAMIN and MARY (PRESCOTT) FARNSWORTH, born January 5, 1696.

Memento mori

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Here lies the
Body of M^r. Thaddeus
Bancroft
who departed this Life
June 21st 1784
Aged 28 year 2 months
& 9 days.

The son of BENJAMIN and ALICE (TARBELL)

1785

[*Cherub.*]

HERE lies y^e Body
of Mial Ames
(Son of M^r.
Robert Ames &
M^{rs}. Ruth his wife)
who died March y^e
31st 1785; Aged
6 months.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

THOMAS PRESCOTT
son of Hon^{le}
OLIVER PRESCOTT Esq^r
& MRS. LYDIA his wife
died Oct^r. 27th 1785.
aged 19 years.
He had a weak body
& a strong mind.

1786

[*Cherub's Head.*]
 In Memory of
 M^{rs} ELIZABETH SAWTELL,
 the wife of
 Es^r RICHARD SAWTELL,
 Who Died May 14th 1786,
 Aged 54 years.

[*Cherub's Head.*]
Memento mori

ERECTED
 In Memory of
 M^r THOMAS BAKER,
 who departed this life,
 May y^e 31st 1786
 in y^e 54th Year of
 his Age.

[*Cherub's Head.*]
 IN Memory of
 Mr. Nehemiah Lawrence,
 who died July. 13th
 1786. Aged 34 years
 and 6 months.

*Death thou hast conquer'd me,
 I by thy dart am slain ;
 But Christ has conquer'd thee,
 And I shall rise again.*

The son of AMOS and ABIGAIL (ABBOTT) LAWRENCE, born
 January 14, 1752.

[*Cherub's Head.*]
 In Memory of
 M^{rs} JOANNA SAWTELL *Relict of*
 Lieu^t. HEZEKIAH SAWTELL ;
 Who Died Sep^r 11th 1786,
 In the 85th year
 of her Age.

Her maiden name was WILSON.

[Cherub's Head.]

In Memory of
Lieu^t. Abel Bancroft,
Who Departed this Life
October 30th A. D. 1786,
In the 35th Year
of his Age.

The son of BENJAMIN and ALICE (TARBELL) BANCROFT, born
May 28, 1752.

[Cherub's Head.]

In Memory of
Elisha Rockwood^d
the Son of M^r.
Samuel Rockwood
& M^{rs}. Lucy his wife
who Died Dec^r. 13,
1786 ; aged 2 years
and 2 Days.

1787

[Cherub's Head.]

In Memory of
M^{rs}. Abigail Parker,
the Wife of
M^r. Joseph Parker,
who Died Feby 19, 1787
in y^e 90th year of her age.
*She left two Hundred or upwards
of Children & Grand-children.
The sweet Remembrance of Y^e Just
Shall flourish when She sleep in dust.*

The daughter of OBADIAH and HANNAH SAWTELL, born March
13, 1697 ; she was the mother of fourteen children.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

IN Memory of
M^r. NATHANIEL STONE,
who departed this life
July 18th 1787.
In the 36th year
of his Age.

Memento mori

[*Willow Tree.* *Urn.* *Cherub's Head.* *Urn.* *Willow Tree.*]

ERECTED
IN Memory of
CAP^t. BENJAMIN BANCROFT,^A
who departed this Life
July the 21st 1787;
Aged 86 years 2
months & 4 days.

[*Willow Tree and Plumb.*]

SACRED
to the
memory of
Cap^t. Jabez Holden
who departed this
life Aug^t. 11th 1787.
in the 53 year
of his age.

He married, June 16, 1761, RACHEL FARNSWORTH.

1788

Memento mori[*Cherub's Head.*]

ERECTED

In Memory of M^r.

PETER PARKER,

*who departed this life, Jan^r.*6th 1788 : in the69th Year of his age.

The son of JAMES and ABIGAIL (PRESCOTT) PARKER, born
August 6, 1719.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

In memory of

Evrett Williams,

(the son of Capt.

John Williams,

& M^{rs} Moley his

wife ;) who died

June 6, 1788 :

Aged 6 weeks

and 6 hours.

[*Urn.*][*Urn.*]

In Memory of

Mr. William Park,

who died June 17, 1788,

in the 84 year

of his age.

Also In Memory of

Mrs. Anna Park,

wife of

*Mr. William Park*who died Oct^r 2 1789,

in the 85 year

of her age.

[*Urn.*]

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

ERECTED

IN Memory of

Lieut. Ezra Farnsworth,
who died

June 19th 1788 ;
In the 86th year of
his age.

The son of BENJAMIN and MARY (PRESCOTT) FARNSWORTH,
born January 17, 1703.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SACRED

to the memory of

MRS. EUNICE PARKER,
wife of

Mr. Nathaniel Parker,
who died

Nov. 19, 1788.
Æt. 58.

The daughter of JACOB and EUNICE (LAKIN) LAKIN, born
January 23, 1730-1.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

IN

Memory of

Lieut. ELISHA ROCKWOOD,
who departed this Life

Dec. ye. 5th 1788 :
Aged 72 years & 6 months.

*The sweet remembrance of the Just,
Shall flourish while they sleep in dust.*

The youngest child of NATHANIEL and JOANNA (ELLIS)
ROCKETT, born June 11, 1716, at Wrentham ; he married,
August 17, 1738, ELIZABETH ADAMS, born September 3, 1719, at
Sherborn.

1789

[Urn.	<i>Willow Tree.</i>	<i>Willow Tree.</i>	Urn.]
MR. JONATHAN LAWRANCE died April 12, 1806 in the 81 year of his age.		MRS ESTHER LAWRANCE, died Feb. 2. 1789 in the 65 year of her age. <i>wife of Mr. Jonathan Lawrance</i>	

The son of THOMAS and PRUDENCE LAWRENCE, born September 2, 1725 ; his wife was a daughter of JONATHAN and SARAH (BARRON) SHED, born August 23, 1724.

[Cherub's Head.]

IN

Memory of
Miss MOLLY STONE,
Daug^r of M^r Nathaniel
& M^{rs} Sybel Stone,
who died June 16th
1789 : In the 18 year
of her age.

Memento mori

[Cherub's Head.]

ERECTED

In Memory of
M^{rs} Hannah Bowers,
(wife of
M^r Jonas Bowers,) who departed this life
July y^e 12th 1789 ;
In the 48th year of
her Age.

Her maiden name was BROWN ; she was married December 2,

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

HERE lies the Body
of

M^r. Robert Ames
who departed this Life

Nov^r. 15th 1789 ;

Aged 26 years &
1 month.

The son of ROBERT and SARAH (WOODS) AMES, born October
12, 1763.

[*Cherub.*]

In Memory of

Ede Sawtell, *Dau^r*

of Lieut. Elnathan &

M^{rs} Ruth Sawtell, who

died March y^e 14th

1790: Aged 2

years & 5 days.

1790

Remember death

[*Cherub's Head.*]

ERECTED

IN Memory of

M^{rs}. Anna Bancroft,

Relict of

Cap^t. Benjamin Bancroft,

who departed this life

April y^e 3^d 1790 ;

In the 88th year of
her Age

The daughter of JOHN and ANNA (TARBELL) LAWRENCE,
baptized November 1, 1702.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

In Memory of
Mrs. Mahala Lawrence,
wife of
Mr. Rowland Lawrence
who died
July y^e 30th 1790,
Aged 26 years 1 m
& 14 d

[*Cherub's Head.*]

IN Memory of
Eleazer Park
Son of
Mr. John Park Jun^r,
and Mr^s Lydia his
wife who died Sep^r
10th 1790, Aged 1 year
10 months & 13 days

*Say lovely, prattling, playful boy,
Thy Father's hope, thy Mother's Joy ;
Why didst thou make so short a stay !
But steal our hearts & then away.
God gives & takes let man adore,
Death wafts me to th' immortal shore.*

[*Cherub's Head.*]

ERECTED
In Memory of
Cap^t John Sawtell,
who departed this Life
Dec^r y^e 23^d 1790,
Aged 61st years 8
months and 5 days.

The son of EPHRAIM and ABIGAIL SAWTELL, born April 18, 1729.

1791

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ERECTED
IN Memory of
MR. NATHAN AMES
who died
March 7, 1791.
Æt. 61.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

In memory
of
M^r. OLIVER SPAULDING
who departed this life
Oct 27th, 1791 ;
in the 28th year
of his age.

1792

[*Cherub's Head.*]

IN
Memory of Miss
Rebecca Farnsworth
Daughter of M^r.
Ebenezer Farnsworth
and M^{rs}. Sarah
his wife who died
Jan^y. 1792 ;
in y^e. 25th year
of her age.

*Friends & physicians could not save,
My mortal body from y^e. grave.
Nor can y^e. grave confine me here,
When Christ shall call me to appear.*

[Cherub's Head.]

ERECTED

In Memory of

Mrs. Betty Sawtell,

wife of

Mr. Joseph Sawtell Junr

who departed this life

May 13th 1792. In

the 36th year of her

age.

*Oh ! all my friends the hour will soon appear
When you must die, & leave your bodies here,
Oh ! then prepare for death that when you die
May join the saints, in songs above the skye.*

1793

[Cherub's Head.]

In Memory of

Mrs. MARY STONE,

Relict of

Mr. JOSEPH STONE,

who departed this Life

April. 6th 1793, Aged

81 years & 11 months.

The daughter of JONAS and THANKFUL (WHEELER) PRESCOTT,
born April 29, 1711.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

[Urn.]

IN

[Urn.]

Memory of

Mrs. JEAN PARK

wife of

Mr. JOHN PARK

who died

April 25. 1793.

Æt. 61.

*Relentless death not tears nor pray'rs regards ;
Not worth nor usefulness his hand retards !*

Her maiden name was STEWART.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Memento mori

Here lies
the body of
M^{rs} Sarah Chamberlin
(wife of Sam^l Chamber-
lin and late wife of
M^r Ebenezer Patch)
who died
June y^e 12th 1793 ;
In the 64th year of
her age.

The daughter of JACOB WRIGHT, of Westford.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

[*Urn.*]

IN

[*Urn.*]

Memory of
MR. JOHN PARK
who died
Augt. 15. 1793.
Æt. 62.

*Glory with all her lamps shall burn,
And watch the Christians sleeping clay ;
Till the last trumpet rouse his urn,
To aid the triumphs of the day.*

1794

[*Cherub.*]

IN

Memory of
M^r Thomas Wood.
who di^d
March 2^d 1794 :
Aged 47.
Also Bennit Wood. Son of
M^r Thomas Wood &
M^{rs} Mary his wife,
who died
April 26th 1794 ;
Aged 4 years.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

ERECTED

To the

memory of

Mr.

Converce Richardson

who died

March 8th 1794,

Aged 62

1795

[*Cherub.*]

IN

Memory of

M^{rs} Rebekah Lawrance

wife of Lieu^t

Benjamin Lawrance,

who died

Feb^y 18th 1795 ;

Aged 72

Her maiden name was DODGE.

[*Willow Tree.*]

In Memory of

Artemas Hemenway,

son of Lieu^t Samuel

& Mrs. Sarah Hemenway,

who died March 13th

1795, Aged 3 years

and 1 month.

IN Memory of

Polly Reed,

daug^t of Mr. John

& Mrs: Sally Reed,

who died March

25th 1795, Aged

19 months.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

In memory of
James Rockwood,
son of Lieut. Samuel^A
and M^{rs} Lucy Rockwoo^d;
his wife who died
July 28th 1795.
Aged 4 years 10
months & 19 days.

IN

Memory of two
Children of M^r
Thomas & M^{rs} Mary
Wood

Daniel died
July y^e 30th
1795 ;
in y^e 4th year
of his age.

Elizabeth
died July 31st
1795 ;
in y^e 3^d year
of her age.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

Beneath this monu-
ment lies Buried
SUSANNA PRESCOTT,
eldest daughter of
JAMES PRESCOTT Jun.
ESQ, and Mrs. HANNAH
PRESCOTT, *who died*
August 14th 1795. In
y^e 3d year of her age.

*So fades the lovely blooming flower,
Frail smiling solace of an hour ;
So soon our transient comforts fly,
And pleasure only blooms to die.*

[*Cherub's Head.*]

In memory of

Thomas Rockwood,
Son of Lieut. Samuel
Rockwood & M^{rs} Lucy
his wife died Aug. 17
1795 ; aged one year
4 Months & 10 days.

[*Cherub.*]

IN

Memory of

Miss Anna Wait
Daughter of Lieu^t
Phinehas Wait &
M^{rs} Edee his wife
who died

Sep^r y^e 14th 1795 ;
in y^e 18th year
of her age.

[*Cherub.*]

IN

Memory of

M^{rs} Edee Wait,
wife of
Lieu^t Phinehas Wait,
who died

Oct^r y^e 8th 1795 ;
in y^e 50th year
of her age

[*Cherub.*]

IN

Memory of

Miss Elizabeth Wait
Daughter of Lieu^t
Phinehas Wait &
Mrs. Sarah his wife
who died

Oct. y^e 13th 1795 ;
in y^e 26th year
of her age.

[Urn.]

Willow Tree and Urn.

Urn.]

SACRED
to the memory
of
JOSEPH SHEPLE ESQ^r
who died
Oct. 16. 1795.
Æt. 74.

The son of JOHN and LYDIA SHEPLE, born May 22, 1721.

[Cherub.]

IN

Memory of
Miss Naby Fassett
Daughter of Lieu^t
Amaziah Fassett &
M^r Edee his wife
who died
Oct. y^e 22^d 1795 ;
in y^e 21st year
of her age.

[Cherub's Head.]

ERECTED

In Memory of
M^r Jonas Bowers
who died
Nov^r y^e 11th 1795 ;
Aged 52.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

[Urn.]

IN

[Urn.]

Memory of
MR. WILLIAM PARK
who died
Novr. 14. 1795.
Æt. 32.

*Alas ! from death the terrors fly,
When once 'tis unders^tood ;
'Tis nature's call 'tis God's decree,
And is, and must be good.*

1796

[*Cherub's Head.*]

In memory of
MR. NEHEMIAH TROWBRIDGE,
 son of the late Rev. CALEB
 TROWBRIDGE, who died
 January 11th 1796.
 Aged 73 years.

[*Cherub.*]

IN
 Memory of
 Miss Bredget Fletcher
 Daughter of
 Mr. Ezekiel Fletcher &
 Mrs. Bredget his wife
who died
 Oct. 20th 1796,
 Aged 28.

IN memory of
 Ralph Nutting Son of
 Mr. William Nutting
 and Mrs. Susanna
 his wife who died
 Nov. 1st 1796. Aged
 6 years & 3 days.

*Farewell dear babe, a short farewell,
 Till we shall meet again above;
 In the sweet groves where pleasures dwell
 And trees bear fruits of life & love.*

1797

EPHRAIM NUTTING

DIED

Jan. 10, 1797,
Aged 91 years.

IN
 memory of
 Elizabeth Nutting
 Daughter of
 Mr. Abijah and Mrs.
 Eunice Nutting
who died
 March 2^d 1797;
 Aged 2 years 11 mon-
 ths and 10 days.

[*Cherub's Head.*]
 In memory of
 MR. EDMUND TARBELL,
 the son of
 MR. JOHN & MRS. HANNAH
 TARBELL, who died June 20th
 1797, aged 31 years and 13
 days.

*Youth's fair flower soon fades and dies,
 And Life's swift moment quickly flies;
 But to prepare for Death and Heav'n
 Is all for which the longest Life is giv'n.*

[*Willow Tree.*

Urn.

[*Willow Tree.*]

IN
 Memory of
 Mrs. Hannah Green,
wife of
 Mr. William Green,
who died
 Sep. 3^d 1797.
 Aged 90 years.

Her maiden name was HOLDEN.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ERECTED

In Memory of
Miss Grace Whiting
daughter of
Leonard Whiting Esq.
of Hollis N.H. & Ann
his wife, who departed
this Life October 15th
AD 1797. Æt. 27.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN Memory of
M^{rs} MARY LAWRENCE,
wife of
M^r SALMON LAWRENCE,
who died Dec. 22,
1797. Æt. 28
years 2 months &
26 days

1798

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

[*Urn.*]

SACRED
to the memory of
MRS. SARAH SHATTUCK,
wife of
Cap Job Shattuck,
who died
May 5. 1798.
Æt. 61.

[*Urn.*]

*Retire my friends dry up your tears
I shall rise when Christ appears.*

The daughter of SAMUEL and SARAH (HOLDEN) HARTWELL, born March 19, 1737-8. She was one of a band of patriotic women who arrested, in April, 1775, LEONARD WHITING, of Hollis, New Hampshire, a noted tory, bearing despatches from Canada to the British in Boston.

[*Willow Tree.*

Urn.

] *Willow Tree.*

IN

Memory of
 Mrs. Deborah Shipley
 wife of
 Mr. James Shipley
 who died
 Sep^r 12th 1798 ;
 Aged 37.

[*Willow Tree.*

Urn.

] *Willow Tree.*

IN

Memory of
 MR. JOHN GRAGG
 who died Sep^r 18, 1798 ;
 in the 58 year of his age.

*When I lie bury'd deep in dust,
 My flesh shall be thy care ;
 These with'ring limbs with thee I trust,
 To raise them strong and fair.*

The son of JACOB and MARGARET GRAGG, born July 9, 1741.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*

1799

SACRED
 to the memory of
 MRS. EUNICE LAKIN
wife of Mr Jacob Lakin
 who died
 Jan^y 1, 1799
 Æt. 92.

The daughter of JOSIAH and LUCY LAKIN ; she was born October 7, 1707, and married, January 28, 1729-30, her cousin JACOB, son of JOSEPH and ABIGAIL LAKIN.

[*Cherub's Head.*]

[*Hour-Glass.*]

In memory of
MRS. ELIZABETH ROCKWOOD
 the widow of
Lieut. ELISHA ROCKWOOD
 who departed this life
 May 16 A. D. 1799, in the
 80th year of her age.

Her maiden name was ADAMS ; she was born September 13,
 1719, at Sherborn, and was married August 17, 1738.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

Memory of
Miss. ELISABETH TARB-
ELL, daughter of
Mr. Nehemiah & Mrs
Martha Tarbell,
 who died
 July 12, 1799 ;
 Aged 21.

*Friends as you pass, suppress the falling tear,
 You wish her out of heaven, to wish her hear.*

[*Urn.*]

In Memory of
Curtis Cook (Son of
Insign Peter Cook &
Mrs. Alice his wife)
 who died
 Sep.^r 4th 1799.
 Aged 1 year 3 months
 and 12 days

*Sleep on my babe ! & take your rest ;
 God took you home, when he thought best.*

[Urn.]

In Memory of
Evelina Wheeler, Daugh-
ter of Mr. Asa and Mrs.
Sarah Wheeler, who
died Sep^r 8th 1799.
Æt. 1 year 3 months
& 2 days.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED
In Memory of
MRS. SARAH FARWELL,
Consort of
CAP^t HENRY FARWELL,
who died
Sep^r 15 1799.
Aged 66

The sweet remembrance of the just,
Shall flourish when they sleep in dust.

Her maiden name was TAYLOR, and she was from Westford.

In memory of
Nabby Carlton Daugh-
ter of Mr. Solomon and
Mrs. Nabby Carlton
who died
Oct^r 2^d 1799. Aged
1 year 10 months &
15 days.

[Urn.]

IN Memory of
 Sally Cook Daughter of
 Insign Peter Cook &
 Mrs. Alice his wife
 who died
 Oct. 2^d 1799.
 Aged 3 years 1 month
 and 20 days.

*Sleep on my babe! & take your rest;
 God took you home, when he thought best.*

1800

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED
 IN memory of
 Mrs. Susanna the wife of
 Mr. William Nutting
 who departed this life
 Feb^r 12th 1800.
 Aged 42 years &
 4 months.

*"Be still and know that I am God,"
 Were the last words her lips exprest;
 Her flesh doth rest beneath this clod,
 Her soul enjoys immortal rest.*

To
The memory of
HON. JAMES PRESCOTT ESQ.
This monument is
Erected

☞ Stranger! Here lies the son of THE
HON. BENJAMIN PRESCOTT ESQ. and grandson
of JONAS PRESCOTT ESQ. of Groton, and great
grandson of CAPT. JOHN PRESCOTT of Lanc-
aster. He was born Jan. 13th A. D. 1720, 1
He served the public more than fifty years su-
ccessively, in various military offices, the of-
fice of civil Magistrate, Legislator, Counsel-
lor of the Executive, Sheriff of Middlesex,
or Judge of the C. C. Pleas, which last he
sustained to his death. He was distinguish-
ed for his patriotic labors to establish the
rights and independence of his country.
Ever the steady friend of true liberty, infl-
exible in virtue, and thro' life exemplary
for christian piety.

He died Feb. 15th, A. D. 1800, Æ. 80.

"Quick flees the shadow, man!"

[*Willow Tree. Urn. Willow Tree.*]

ERECTED
IN Memory of
MRS. ABAGAIL BUTTRICK
wife of
MR. TILLY BUTTRICK
who died
May 2, 1800.
Æ. 44.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In Memory of
 MRS. BREDGET FLETCHER,
 wife of
 Lieu^t. EZEKIEL FLETCHER,
 who died
 Aug^t. 9, 1800.
 Aged 53.

*Mark my gay friends the solemn tale,
 Speaks the departure of the soul.
 Let each one ask himself am I
 Prepar'd, shoul'd I be call'd to die.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED
 In memory of
 Mrs. Ruth Lawrance
wife of
 Mr. Joel Lawrance
who departed this life
 Nov. 19, 1800 ;
 Aged 35 years.

The daughter of JONATHAN COLLIER, of Groton.

1801

—
 [Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED
 To the Memory of
 MR. EPHRIAM NASH,
 who died
 Aug^t. 27, 1801 ;
 Aged 71.

*The sweet Remembrance of the just,
 Shall flourish when they sleep in dust.*
 —

1802

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

To
 the Memory of
 Mrs. Sarah Taylor
 Relict of Mr. David
 Taylor formerly wife of
 Mr. W^m Parker
 and also wife of
 Mr. Abiel Richardson
 She died Feb^y. 9, 1802 ;
 Aged 80 years.

[*Willow Tree.*]

Daniel Livermore,
 Died August
 28. 1802,
 aged 3 months
 & 10 days.
son of Mr William
& Mrs Betsey Livermore,

[*Urn.*]

J. T.
 ERECTED
 in memory of
 MR. JOHN TARBELL,
 who died 9, Sep. 1802,
 in the 80th year
 of his age.

The son of WILLIAM and MARY (FARNSWORTH) TARBELL, born August 19, 1723 ; he married, first, October 29, 1753, SARAH, daughter of JOHN and MARY (BRADSTREET) PARKER, born April 14, 1726, and, secondly, HANNAH —

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ERECTED

In memory of
LIEUT. PHINEAS WAIT..
who departed this life
Nov: 29, 1802 ;
in the 67 year of
his age.

The son of PHINEAS and MARY (HUBBARD) WAIT, born
November 12, 1736 ; he married, first, January 28, 1762, SARAH
PIERCE, of Pepperell, and, secondly, EDE —

1803

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

Erected in Memory of
Mrs. Jane Reed Relict
of Mr. Timothy Reed
of *Dunstable*, formerly the
wife of Lieu: William
Nutting of this Town,
who died Feb: 7, 1803, in
the 86 year of her age.

Her maiden name was BOYNTON.

[*Willow Tree. Urn. Willow Tree.*]

In memory of
MR. TIMOTHY CROU^{CM}
who died
March 4 1803
in the 53, Year
of his age.

[Urn.]

IN memory of
 LOVINA
 Consort of MR. ABEL
 TARBELL, who died 1st.
 Octr. 1803. in the
 22 year of
 her age.

The daughter of JOSHUA and BRIDGET LONGLEY, of Shirley,
 born August 15, 1781.

[Willow Tree.]

In Memory of
 Tho^s Barrett Nutting
 son of Mr. William &
 Mrs. Mary Nutting, he
 died Oct^r 7th 1803,
 aged 18 months & 19 Ds.
Ah ! little Pleasant lovely Boy
Thy Father's hope, thy Mother's
Why didst thou make no longer
Just steal our hearts & then away.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN
 memory of
 MR. ISAIAH EDES
 who died
 Novr. 17. 1803.
 Æt. 73

The son of PETER and ESTHER (HALL) EDES, born December
 11, 1730, at Charlestown; he married AGNES, daughter of
 ROBERT, Jr., and SUSANNA (JOHNSON) SCREECH, and removed
 to Groton in the year 1796. He married for his second wife,
 Mrs. SARAH PARKER, and for his third, MARY KEMP. There
 were no children by the second marriage.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MR. JAMES MOORS
son of Joseph Moors
Esq. and Mrs. Sarah Moors,
who died Dec. 14th,
1803 ;
in the 20th year
of his age.

*Let sorrow change to sacred mirth,
Know God in love hath given
The pure in heart, who mourn on earth,
Perpetual smiles in heaven.*

1804

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ERECTED
IN
Memory of
CAPT. HENRY FARWELL,
who died
Jan. 9, 1804,
in the 81 year
of his age.

The son of WILLIAM and ELIZABETH FARWELL, born July 21, 1724 ; a soldier in the French war and a captain of a company of minute men at the opening of the Revolution. He was severely wounded at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SACRED
to
the memory of
CAP. ASA LAWRANCE,
who died
Jan. 16. 1804.
Æt. 67.

The son of PELEG and RUTH LAWRENCE, born June 14, 1737 ; he married, July 27, 1757, ABIGAIL KING, of Littleton.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN memory of
MRS. MARY STONE
Relict of
DEA. JAMES STONE,
who died
March 29th 1804;
Æt. 95.

The daughter of JONAS and HANNAH FARWELL, born February 5, 1709; she was married December 28, 1726.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

HERE lies buried
George Dana,
Son of Samuel Dana
& Rebeckah his wife
who died April 12
A. D. 1804, aged 1 year
6 months & 10 days.

[*Urn.*]

IN Memory of
Lieut. Reuben Lewis.
who died
May 4, 1804,
aged 65
years.

[*Urn and Willow Tree.*]

Monumental Tribute

SAMUEL ROCKWOOD,

son of

ELISHA ROCKWOOD, and

ELIZABETH his wife,

Was born at Groton Decem. 6
1754, and died suddenly May 29,
1804; for a course of years he
sustained the office of Deacon
in the Church, and was honored
with many posts of civil trust,
the duties of which
He discharged with great prudence
and fidelity.

In his character,
was conspicuous an uncommon assemblage
Of the mildest and most useful virtues.

At his death,
Among survivors who knew him,
There were none but friends —
All united in deploring this loss.

Here lies Lydia Ann
Prescott, daughter
of Oliver Prescott
Junr. Esq. and Mrs. Ann
his wife who died
Sept. 4th 1804.
Aged 1 year and 11
months.

[Urn.] [Willow Tree and Urn.] [Urn.]
 ERECTED
 In memory of
 MRS. BETSY GASS,
 wife of
 MR. THOMAS GASS,
 who died
 Sep. 21, 1804.
 in the 35 year of
 her age.
*Death is a debt to nature due,
 I've paid the debt and so must you.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]
 ERECTED
 IN memory of Dea.
 BENJAMIN BANCROFT
 who died
 Octr. 27, 1804.
 Æt. 80.

Eldest child of BENJAMIN and ANNA (LAWRENCE) BANCROFT,
 born September 29, 1724, at Charlestown; he married, October
 18, 1749, ALICE, daughter of WILLIAM and MARY (FARNSWORTH)
 TARBELL. She was born March 4, 1729-30, and died November
 29, 1781.

ERECTED [A TABLET.]
 in memory
 of the
 HON. OLIVER PRESCOTT Esq.
 M. D. A. A. S. M. M. S. S.
 who departed this life
 November 17, A. D. 1804.
 aged 73 years, 6 months, and 9 days.
 ALSO
 MRS. LYDIA PRESCOTT,
 Consort of the
 above said OLIVER PRESCOTT, who died
 September 27, A. D. 1798,
 aged 62 years, 11 months, and 11 days.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED

In memory of

MR. CALEB BLOOD,

who died

Decr. 9. 1804.

Æt. 70.

*From death the gloomy terrors
When once tis understood,
'Tis natures call 'tis Gods decree
And is and must be good.*

Son of JOHN and JOANNA (NUTTING) BLOOD, born November 23, 1734; he married, November 1, 1753, for his first wife, HANNAH, daughter of JOHN and SARAH (DAVIS) HOLDEN, and March 3, 1774, for his second, ELIZABETH, daughter of ISAAC and ANNA (GREEN) FARNSWORTH.

1805

[Urn.]

Luther Tarbell

son of Mr. William &

Mrs. Mary Tarbell,

died 4 Jan. 1805

aged 8 years & 9
months.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN Memory of

Mrs. ALICE COOK

wife of

Mr. PETER COOK

who died

March 16, 1805;

Aged 29 years

2 months and

13 days.

*The sweet remembrance of the just,
Shall flourish when they sleep in dust.
Retire my friends, dry up your tears;
Here I must lay till Christ appears.*

[Willow Tree.]

In memory of
Peter Woodberry, son of
Mr. Samuel and
Mrs. Rebecca Woodberry,
who died
July 2, 1805 ;
Aged 4 years.

*Sleep on sweet babe, and take your rest,
For God will call, when he thinks best.*

[Keystone.		
Hour-Glass.	Compass.	
Trowel.	Urn.	Pickaxe.
Coffin.	Spade.	

ERECTED
in memory of
Lieut. JONAS FARNSWORTH,
who departed this life
suddenly by a stroke of the sun
16th July 1805.
in the 57th year
of his age.

An honest man is the noblest work of God.

The son of AMOS and LYDIA (LONGLEY) FARNSWORTH, born
August 18, 1748.

[Willow Tree.]

IN Memory of
GABRIEL L. BLOOD,
son of Mr. Henry & Mrs.
Abigail Blood,
who died Aug. 28, 1805.
aged 6 years & 7 months.

*Sleep on sweet babe & take your
For God will call, when he thinks*
(rest,
(best.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN
memory of
MR. JAMES KINDALL,
who died
Sep. 20, 1805.
Æt. 27.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ABIGAIL GARDNER.
consort of
THOMAS GARDNER ESQ.
daughter of the
HON. EBENEZER &
ABIGAIL CHAMPNEY,
was born
May 4, 1767.
died
Nov. 10, 1805.

*Thus must we leave the banks of life,
And try this doubtful sea
Vain are our groans & dying strife
To gain a moments stay.*

Her mother was the daughter of the Reverend CALEB
TROWBRIDGE, the fifth minister of the town.

1806

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
 MR. JONATHAN PEIRCE,
 who died May 12, 1806; in
 the 55. Year of his age.
 He was a tender father, an
 affectionate husband,
 a benevolent neighbour,
 a sincere friend.

*Thrice blessed are the pious dead,
 Who in the Lord shall die;
 Their weary flesh as on a bed
 Safe in the grave shall lie.
 Their holy souls at length releas'd
 To heaven shall take their flight;
 There to enjoy eternal rest,
 And infinite delight."*

The son of JONATHAN and RUTH (GILSON) PEIRCE, born
 December 3, 1751.

[*Stars. Square and Compass. Stars.*]

IN memory of
 MR. WILLIAM LEPEAR,
 who died
 June 5, 1806.
 Æt. 63.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN Memory of
 Lieut. EZEKIEL FLETCHER
 who died
 July 7, 1806.
 Aged 65.

*Welcome those Bonds which did unite
 My soul to it's Supreme delight*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

To the

Memory of

Cap!

JEPHTHAH RICHARDSON

who died

Oct. 9. 1806.

Æ. 49.

The noble, generous, resolute & just,

Like other, mortals mingles with the dust.

The son of CONVERSE and MARY RICHARDSON ; he kept a tavern, during many years, on the present site of the Baptist Church.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

[Urn.]

SACRED

[Urn.]

To

the Memory of

MR. WILLIAM SHATTUCK

who died

Oct. 9. 1806.

Æt. 42.

Son of JOB and SARAH (HARTWELL) SHATTUCK, born March 8, 1765 ; he married EUNICE, daughter of SIMON and ANNA (SHATTUCK) BLOOD.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN memory of

OLIVE MOORS

daughter of Joseph

Moors Esq. and Mrs.

Sarah Moors, who died

Nov. 6th, 1806 in the

14th year of her

age.

As fades the lovely blooming flower,

Frail, smiling solace of an hour !

So soon our transient comforts fly,

And pleasures only bloom to die.

[Urn.]

In Memory of
 Sarah Shattuck,
 Daughter of
Mr. William Shattuck,
 who died Nov. 7. 1806.
 Aged 7 years &
 3 months.

1807

[Urn.]

In memory of Adeline
 Amelia Weeks, Daugh.
 of Mr. David & Mrs. Eli-
 za Weeks, who died Jan.
 16, 1807; aged 5 mon-
 ths & 22 days.

*Farewell sweet babe farewell adue
 No more with pleasure shall I look on you
 Death comes with a scythe to cut the down
 Like the tender grass you must be mown
 You have left a world of sorrow sin & pain
 It is wicked to call thee back to life again.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

[Urn.]

SACRED

[Urn.]

To

the Memory of
 MRS. EUNICE SHATTUCK.
wife of Mr. William Shattuck
 who died Feb. 10 1807.
 Æt. 41.

The daughter of SIMON and ANNA (SHATTUCK) BLOOD, born
 February 25, 1766.

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

In memory of

MR.

THOMAS GRAGG,
who died May 17,
1807, Æt. 61.

ALSO MRS. EUNICE,
his wife, died Dec.
18, 1826. Æt. 76.

*In dust their relics here repose,
Their joys and griefs are done ;
The Judgment day will full disclose,
The crowns which they have won.*

The son of JACOB and MARGARET GRAGG, born July 21, 1746 ;
he married, December 1, 1768, EUNICE, daughter of JOHN and
LYDIA (PARKER) LAKIN, born August 19, 1750.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

Memory of

Lieut. Benjamin Lawrence^e
who died

July 5, 1807.

Æt. 87.

The son of NATHANIEL and ANNA (SCRIPTURE) LAWRENCE,
born November 6, 1720 ; he married, June 20, 1744, REBECCA
DODGE.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

Ensign PETER COOK

who died

Nov. 9 A. D. 1807.

Aged 42 years

and 11 months.

*Alass ! from death the terrors fly,
When once 'tis understood ;
'Tis nature's call 'tis God's decree,
And is & must be good.*

1808

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED
to the memory of
MR. SAMUEL FLETCHER
who died
Jan^r. 13, 1808.
Æt. 27.

[Urn, Compass, and Willow Tree.]

In memory of
MR. TIMOTHY SPAULDING,
who died Feb. 19, 1808 ;
aged 38 years 10 months
& 11 days.

Dorothy Emerson,
daughter of Mr. De-
arborn, & Mrs. Sal-
ly Emerson, died
29th Feb. 1808.
Aged 1 year, 5 mon-
ths and 27 days.

[Urn and Willow Tree.]

In memory of
MISS MARIA SAWTELL
dau. of Ens. RICHARD &
MRS. ELIZABETH SAWTELL
who died 22, April 1808 ;
in the 38 year of
her age.

*Death is a debt by nature due,
Which I have paid & so must you.*

[Urn. Willow Tree and Urn. Urn.]

SACRED
to the memory of
MRS. LUCY HOBART
wife of
Mr. Josiah Hobart
who died

June 5, 1808

Æt. 90.

Erected by William Cumings Esq.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED
in memory of
CAPT.
EBENEZER HOPKINS,
who died

August 24, 1808.

Æt. 88.

*Cruel death hath conquer'd me,
I with his dart am slain ;
But Christ hath conquer'd death,
And I shall rise again.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

James son of Mr.
James & Mrs. Faithey
Ridgway, died 9
Sept. 1808 aged
20 months.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED
To
the Memory
of
MR. ISAAC BOWERS,
who died
Sep. 14, 1808.
Æt. 67.

The son of SAMUEL and DEBORAH (FARNSWORTH) BOWERS,
born June 26, 1741 ; he married, March 25, 1765, PRISCILLA
DODGE.

Sewall Emerson,
son of Mr. Dearborn,
and Mrs. Sally
Emerson, died 16
Oct. 1808.
Aged 9 days.

[Urn.]
IN memory of
Charls Ames,
Son of
Mr. Peter &
Sally Ames,
who died
Novr. 8, 1808.
Aged 3 years,
3 months &
15 days.

1809

[Willow Tree and Urn.]
IN
memory of
MR. PHINEAS PARKER,
who died
Feb. 15 1809.
Æt. 61..
This stone erected by his
Brother
James Parker, Esq.

The son of LEONARD and ABIGAIL PARKER, born September 23, 1748; he married, May 26, 1773, RELIEF, daughter of ROBERT and DEBORAH PARKER, born March 27, 1750.

[*Urn and Willow Tree.*]

In memory of
SARAH,
wife of
JOSEPH ROCKWOOD,
who died
March 29, 1809,
Æt. 66.

Her maiden name was RICHARDSON ; she was married January 30, 1766.

[*Willow Tree. Urn. Willow Tree.*]

SACRED
to the memory of
Mr. STEPHEN KEMP,
who died April 29
1809.
Aged 27 years.
son of Capt. LEVI & Mrs.
REBECKAH KEMP.
He liv'd below'd & died lamented

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

Mem. Mori
SACRED
To
the Memory of
Mr. JOHN SHEPLE,
who died
May 27, A.D. 1809.
Æt. 52.
Exc. by John Park Jr.

The son of JOHN and ABIGAIL (GREEN) SHEPLE, born February 3, 1757.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN
memory of
MISS REBECCA LEWIS
who died
June 21. 1809,
Æt. 47.

The daughter of JAMES and REBECCA (BROWN) LEWIS, born
July 15, 1762, at Billerica.

1810

[*Willow Tree.*]

An
infant son of
LIEUT. ABR^M &
MARY MOORE
born
May 7. AD.
1810.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

Memento Mori
SACRED
to the memory of
of
CAP. JAMES LEWIS,
formerly of Billerica
who died
June 12. 1810.
Æt. 75.

The son of BENJAMIN and ELIZABETH (JAQUITH) LEWIS, born
September 25, 1735, at Wilmington. He married, January 3,
1760, REBECCA BROWN, and removed to Groton in the spring
of 1796.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
SALLY E. BLOOD,
Daugh^r of M^r Luther Blood,
and M^r Sally his wife,
who died July 18, 1810.
Æt. 2. years.

1811

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SACRED
to the memory
of
ABIGAIL GARDNER
daughter of
Thomas Gardner Esq.
and
Abigail Gardner
his wife
who died March 23, 1811
aged 18 years
"Beauty only blooms to die,"
But this mortal, must put on
immortality."

MR. JOHN PARK,
DIED
MAY 26, 1811,
ÆT. 50.
MRS. LYDIA, HIS WIFE,
DIED
SEPT. 3, 1845,
ÆT. 82.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

memory of

MRS. BETSEY PAGE

wife of Enoch C. Page

who died

June 6, 1811.

Æt. 22.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN memory of

WILLIAM TUFTS,

Son of Mr. Eliakim & Mrs.

Sarah Tufts, who died

Sep. 1, 1811 :

Æt. 17.

*Youth blooming fair and age must die
And turn to dust as well as I.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

memory of

MRS. SIBEL STONE,

widow of

Mr. Nathaniel Stone,

who died

Sep^r. 27. 1811.

Æt. 78.

[*Urn.*]

Abigail Wheelock

Daughter of

John & Lydia Todd

died Dec^r. 4. 1811.

Æt. 1 year & 4 mo^s.

1812

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED
in memory of
MR. SILAS PARKER,
who died
Feb'y 23^d 1812,
in the 52^d year
of his age.

*O ye whose cheek the tear of pity stains,
Draw near with pious rev'rence and attend!
Here lie the loving husband's dear remains,
The tender father, and the gen'rous friend.*

[Willow Tree. Urn. Willow Tree.]

In
memory of
MR. EPHRAIM KEMP.
who died
Apr'l 30, 1812,
Æt. 71, years.

*Retire my friends dry up your ^{tears:}
Here I lie till Christ appe ^{ars.}*

The son of SAMUEL and ELIZABETH (GILSON) KEMP, born
March 22, 1741.

JERUSHA,
wife of
Ephraim Nutting,
DIED
May 22, 1812,
Aged 87 years.

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

ROWLAND LAWRENCE,

DIED

June 17, 1812,

Æt. 49.

MAHALA,

his wife

died July 30, 1790,

Æt. 26

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN memory of

MR. ELISHA YOUNG

who died

Nov. 19, 1812.

Æt. 58.

Death is a debt you all must pay,

Prepare then for your dying day.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

memory of

MISS SYRENA SHEPLE

Dau. of Mr. Wilder &

Mrs. Phebe Sheple

who died

Dec. 25. 1812.

Æt. 12 years.

Stop passenger as you pass by,

As you are now, so once was I;

As I am now, so you must be,

Prepare for death and follow me.

1813

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

[Urn.]

IN

[Urn.]

Memory of
 LIEU! JOBE SHATTUCK,
 the 3rd who died
 Feb. 20, 1813:
 Æt. 31.

*Friends and physicians could not save,
 My mortal body from the grave,
 Nor can the grave confine me here,
 When Christ my Saviour doth appear.*

The son of JOB and ELIZABETH (BLOOD) SHATTUCK, born January 22, 1782; he married, April 19, 1803, POLLY PRESCOTT, daughter of ELNATHAN and RUTH SAWTELL, born January 11, 1784. His widow afterward married LUTHER SHATTUCK, a brother of her first husband.

[Willow Tree.]

In memory of

MR. PARKER WETHER ^{(BEE,}
who died

Feb. 25, 1813,
 Æt. 43.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

CALVIN BLOOD,
*Son of Mr. Luther Blood
 and Mrs. Sally his wife,
 who died Febr. 27.*

1813. Æt. 11. days.

*Sleep on sweet child & take thy rest
 To call thee home God saw it best*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN
memory of
CAPT.
EZEKIEL SHATTUCK,
who died
April 1. 1813.
Æt. 48.

*Just as the grass is withered
Beneath the scorching sun,
His glory in the dust is laid,
His usefulness is done.*

The son of NOAH and SARAH (HARTWELL) SHATTUCK, born April 12, 1763; he married, September 25, 1788, PRUDENCE, daughter of LEVI BLOOD, born October 30, 1770.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN
Memory of
MR. BENJ^A BOWERS,
who died
May 4, 1813,
Æt. 47.

The son of ISAAC and PRISCILLA (DODGE) BOWERS, born October 27, 1766.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN memory of
MRS. MARY GULLIVER,
widow of
Mr. Benjamin Gulliver,
who died
June 7, 1813;
Æt. 31.

Her maiden name was BANCROFT.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In Memory of

MISS

ABIGAIL W. PATTERSON.

Daughter of Mr. Nicolus &

Mrs. Abigail W. Patterson of

Harvard, who died

June 23, 1813.

Æt. 22.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

Anna dau. of Capt.

Noah & Mrs. Anna

Shattuck, died Sept.

19th 1813: aged 9 years

& 9 months.

*May guardian cherubs watch thy sa.
Till recent life reanimates thy dust.*

1814

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

to the memory of

MRS. REBECCA LEWIS,

wife of

CAPT. JAMES LEWIS,

who died

Jan. 1, 1814.

Æt. 75.

The daughter of SAMUEL BROWN, of Billeri
29, 1739-40.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

James Son of

Mr. James & Mrs.

Faithey Ridgway,

died Jan. 19, 1814.

Aged 8 months.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN
Memory of
MISS
MARJARY LAWRENCE.
who died
Jan. 29, 1814.
Æt. 63.

The daughter of BENJAMIN and REBECCA (DODGE) LAWRENCE,
born January 3, 1751.

[*Willow Tree.*]

In memory of
Joseph T. Nutting,
son of
*Mr. Joseph Danforth &
Mrs. Lucinda Nutting,*
who died
March 24. 1814.
aged 2 years.
*We will not weep
Our babe's asleep
In Jesus' arms.*

[*Willow Tree.*]

IN memory of
James Putnam
son of
Peter & Susanna Putnam
who died March 29, 1814.
aged 9 years 6 months
*Corruption earth and worms
Doth but refine this flesh;
Till my triumphant spirit comes
And puts it on afresh.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

memory of
MR. WILDER SHEPLE
who died
April 2. 1814.
Æt. 60.

*Not beauty youth nor friend could save,
Nor virtue snatch thee from the grave,
Nor sigh nor groan nor falling tear,
Prolong thy stay one moment here.*

The son of JOSEPH and EUNICK SHEPLE, born May 5, 1754.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

memory of
THOMAS LAWRANCE,
*Son of Mr. Joel &
Mrs. Ruth Lawrance,*
who died
Augt. 5. 1814.
Æt. 22.

He was drowned in Long Pond.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

memory of
MRS. ABIGAIL TROWBRIDGE,
*wife of
Mr. Nehemiah Trowbridge,*
who died
Oct. 14, 1814
Æt. 78.

*Thrice happy shades, now freed from cares,
Thy mortal frame at rest,
Secure from pain, from grief and fears,
With kindred souls thou'rt blest.*

The daughter of MATTHIAS and ABIGAIL (SHED) FARNSWORTH,
born November 19, 1735; she was married January 12, 1758.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

memory of

Sarah S. Brown,
Dau. of Mr. Aaron &
Mrs. Sarah Brown,
Died *Dec.* 14, 1814;
aged 16 months.

1815

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ALMON,
died Jan. 29, 1815,
Æt. 3 ms. 15 ds.
LYMAN, JR.
died Sept. 16, 1826,
Æt. 16 ys. 11 ms. 3 ds.
Sons of Lyman &
Nabby Fletcher.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

[*Urn.*]

ERECTED
in memory of
SALLY STONE
consort of Nathaniel Stone
who died March 8, 1815.
Æt. 24.
Also in memory of
an Infant, son of
Nathaniel & Sally Stone,
who died Aug. 25, 1813.
Aged 24 hours.

[*Urn.*]

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN
memory of
MR.
NATHANIEL SHATTUCK,
who died
April 5. 1815.
Æt. 67.

*Friends nor physicians could not save,
My mortal body from the grave;
Nor can the grave confine me here,
When Christ shall call me to appear.*

The son of WILLIAM and EXPERIENCE (SPAULDING) SHATTUCK,
born at Hollis, New Hampshire; he married EUNICE, daughter
of BENJAMIN and BETTY (NUTTING) HAZEN, born April 30, 1754.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
MR. SAMPSON PRESCOTT,
who died May 16,
1815; Æt. 52 ys.
Also MRS. LUCY,
his wife, died March
14, 1834; Æt. 71 ys.

*"Here memory comes by true affection led
To commune with the distant and the dead,"*

[Urn.]

Willow Tree and Urn.

Urn.]

ERECTED
in memory of
MR. RICHARD SAWTELL
who died
Octr. 16. 1815.
Æt. 78.

The son of HEZEKIAH and JOANNA (WILSON) SAWTELL, born
June 21, 1737; he married, March 23, 1763, ELIZABETH BENNET.

1816

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

[Urn.]

ERECTED

[Urn.]

in memory of

MR. BELA HEMENWAY,

*Son of**Lieut. Samuel Hemenway,**and Mrs. Sarah his wife,*

who died

Janr. 17. 1816.

Æt. 26.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

JONAS

*Son of Mr. Thomas &**Mrs. Lovina Farnsworth*

died Febr. 2. 1816.

Æt. 3 mo! & 13. days.

*Ah ! little pleasant lovely boy,
 Thy fathers hope thy mothers joy,
 Why didst thou make no longer stay,
 Just steal our hearts and then away.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

to

the memory of

MR. JONAS STONE

who died

April 26, 1816,

Æt. 78.

The son of JOSEPH and MARY (PRESCOTT) STONE, born
 November 11, 1737.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED
to the memory of
MR. BENJAMIN JAQUITH
who died
June 1, 1816,
Æt. 65.

*Dear friends remember
Dust thou art, and unto
Dust shalt thou return.*

[Urn and Willow Tree.]

In memory of
JOSEPH ROCKWOOD,
who died
June 9, 1816,
Æt. 72.

The son of ELISHA and ELIZABETH ROCKWOOD, born June 13,
1744; he married, January 30, 1766, SARAH RICHARDSON.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

Miss
Prudence Dunsmoor
died June 22
1816
Æt. 38.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ERECTED
In memory of
WILLIAM S.
PARK,
*son of Mr. John Park &
Mrs. Lydia his wife*
who died
Augt. 20, 1816;
Æt. 20.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*][*Urn.*]

SACRED
to the memory of
JEAN DAY
wife of
Moses Day
who died
Oct. 14, 1816,
Æt. 48.

[*Urn.*][*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ERECTED
in memory of
MRS. JANE TARBELL,
wife of
Major Abell Tarbell,
who died
Oct. 29, 1816,
Æt. 36.

Her maiden name was HARKNESS, and she was from Lunenburg.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN
memory of
MISS ESTHER EDES
who died
Novr. 11. 1816.
Æt. 52.

The daughter of ISAIAH and AGNES (SCREECH) EDES, baptized
December 16, 1764, at Charlestown.

1817

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

MR.

JOSEPH ALLEN,

who died

Jan. 24, 1817 :

Æt. 80.

[Willow Tree.]

JOHN O. WILLIAMS

Son of

*Mr. Lewis & Mrs.**Abigail Williams,*

died Febr. 28, 1817 ;

Æt. 9 months.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

[Urn.]

IN

[Urn.]

memory of

MR.

STEPHEN MUNROE

who died

Septr. 16. 1817.

Æt. 66.

*Farewell my partner, children, all,
 For we a while must part ;
 But soon shall meet upon that shore,
 Where we shall meet to part no more.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MOSES AMES

son of

*Mr. George &**Mrs. Femima**G. Gillmore.*

died

Sept. 20, 1817,

aged 1 Y:

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN
memory of
MRS. BETSY LAWRANCE,
wife of
Mr. Joel Lawrance,
who died
Nov. 26, 1817.
Æt. 52.

Her maiden name was STEDMAN, and she was Mr. LAWRENCE's second wife.

1818

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ERECTED
in memory of
LIEU. SAMUEL HEMENWAY
who died
March 15. 1818.
Æt. 70.
Death is a debt to all nature due
I have pay'd the debt and so must you.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MR.
AMOS STONE JR.
who died
May 27, 1818,
Æt. 42.

The son of AMOS and MOLLY (MOORS) STONE, born September 21, 1776.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. MARY,
wife of Mr. Joseph Allen,
who died
Nov. 3, 1818:
Æt. 72.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
 MR JACOB PATCH
 who died Dec. 22,
 1818. *Æt.* 72.
 Also Mrs. MARY,
wife of
Mr. Jacob Patch,
 died Aug. 27, 1828.
Æt. 85.

The son of EBENEZER and SARAH PATCH, born April 5, 1747 ;
 his wife was the daughter of BENJAMIN and BETTY (NUTTING)
 HAZEN, born April 28, 1743. They were married January 9, 1772.

1819

[*Urn.*][*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SACRED

[*Urn.*]

to the memory of
 CAP. JOB SHATTUCK
 who died
 Jan. 13. 1819.
Æt. 84.

The son of WILLIAM and MARGARET (LUND) SHATTUCK, born
 February 11, 1735-6. He was a noted leader in the insurrection
 of 1786,—known as the Shays's Rebellion,—and was afterward
 tried for high treason, convicted, and sentenced to be hanged,
 but was subsequently pardoned.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SACRED

TO

the memory of
 BENJAMIN RICHARDSON,
son of
 MR. *Alpheus Richardson,*
 & *Mrs. Phebe his wife*
 who died

June, 11, 1819,
 Aged 20 years.

He liv'd belov'd and died lamented.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In Memory of

MR.

SAMUEL BENNETT,

who died

Aug. 29, 1819,

Æt. 25.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In

memory of

MRS. PRUDENCE SHATTUCK

Consort of Capt. Ezekiel

Shattuck, Obt. Sept. 2,

1819, Æt. 49.

With grace and piety her days were crown'd

With lustre bright her virtue shine around

Reader could ashes speak they'd loudly cry

Make God your friend and so prepare to die.

The daughter of LEVI BLOOD, born October 30, 1770; she was married September 25, 1788.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

Memory of

MRS. MARY PARKER,

wife of

Mr. Josias Parker,

who died

Sept. 25, 1819;

Æt. 41.

Our hearts are fasten'd to this world,

By strong and endless ties;

But every sorrow cuts a string,

And urges us to rise.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

memory of

MRS. ELIZABETH BLOOD,

wife of

Mr. Caleb Blood

who died Dec. 9, 1819;

Æt. 70:

Why do we mourn departing friends,

Or shake at death's alarm;

Tis but the voice that Jesus sends,

To call them to his arms.

The daughter of Deacon ISAAC and ANNA (GREEN) FARNSWORTH, born March 24, 1750; she was married March 3, 1774-

1820

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

GEORGE

KORTLANDT,

Son of Mr. Aaron &

Mrs. Sally Lewis,

died Jan. 16, 1820

Æt. 4 ys. & 6 ms.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SACRED

TO

the memory of

William,

son of

Mr. Alpheus &

Mrs. Phebe Richardson,

who died

Aug. 3, 1820;

Æt. 17.

This mortal must put on immortality.

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

THOMAS TROWBRIDGE

died Sept. 22, 1820,

Æt. 85 yrs. 11 mos.

RUTH

his wife

died Aug. 8, 1836,

Æt. 86 yrs.

The son of the Reverend CALEB and HANNAH (WALTER) TROWBRIDGE, born November 12, 1734. RUTH was his second wife, and her maiden name was NEVERS.

1821

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

G

[Spade. Plumb. Level. Square and Compass. Mallet. Rule. Trowel.]

SACRED

To

the memory of

MR. ALPHEUS RICHARDSON,

who died

Jan. 20. 1821 ;

Æt. 47.

*Forgive blest shade, the tributary tear,
That mourns thy exit from a world ^{like this;}
Forgive the wish that would have kept thee ^{here,}
And stayed thy progress to the seats of bliss.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

HARIOT NEWELL

Daughter of William &

Betsy Farnsworth,

who died

July 28, 1821 ;

Æt. 3 yrs. 9 mo.

*This lovely bud so young and fair,
Cal'd hence by early doom ;
Fust come ^{to} show how sweet a flower,
In paradise would bloom.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN
memory of
MRS. ZERVIAH PRESTON,
who died
Aug. 6. 1821.
Æt. 53.

*Can reason's dictates be obey'd,
So weak alas ! her strongest aid ;
O, let religion then be nigh,
Her consolations never die.*

[*Willow Tree.*]

In memory of
REBECCA,
Daur. of Mr. Joseph &.
Mrs. Rebecca Hemenway
who died
Octr. 2, 1821 ;
Æt. 16 months.

[*Willow Tree.*]

Jane Nutting
Daughter of
Cap. Joseph D. &
Mrs. Lucinda Nutting
died Oct. 11, 1821,
Aged 3 months.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN
memory of
FANNY,
Daur. of Mr. Joseph &.
Mrs. Rebecca Hemenway,
who died
Nov. 5, 1821 :
Æt. 5 years.

[Willow Tree.]

In memory of
MRS. SUSANNA PATCH
wife of
Mr. Zara Patch,
and Daughter of
William Nutting Esq.
who died
Dec. 10, 1821 ;
Æt. 40.

[Willow Tree.]

JOHN B.
Son of
Mr. John and
Mrs. Martha Smith.
died Dec. 11, 1821,
Æt. 9 y. & 10 m.
He liv'd below'd & died lamented.

1822

[North Side.]

[A MONUMENT.]

EPHRAIM NUTTING
DIED MAR. 18, 1822
AGED 57
MARY
WIFE OF
EPHRAIM NUTTING
DIED JULY 28, 1859
AGED 88
ASA NUTTING
DIED FEB. 27, 1830
AGED 31
NUTTING

[West Side.]

LUTHER NUTTING
DIED AUG. 25, 1849
AGED 42

NATHAN K. MOORE
DIED OCT. 3, 1860.
AGED 65

CHARLOTTE P.
WIFE OF
NATHAN K. MOORE
DIED MAR. 20, 1862
AGED 69

[East Side.]

PETER BOWEN
DIED MAY 5, 1836
AGED 45

SYLVIA T.
WIFE OF
PETER BOWEN
DIED MAR. 1, 1842
AGED 50
AVERY E. NUTTING
DIED FEB. 19, 1849
AGED 15 Months

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED
to

the memory of
CHARLES.

Son of Mr. Alpheus

Richardson &,

Mrs. Phebe his wife

died May 25, 1822 ;

Æt. 19 yr. 6 mo.

*Down to the dead all must die
And saints of God must die ;
While angels guard their sou.
In dust their bodies lie.*

Abel Sawtell Groton [fecit.]

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

G

[Spade, Level, and Plumb. Square and Compass. Mallet, Rule, and Trowel.]

IN

Memory of
CAP. JOHN WILLIAMS
who died
July 1, 1822 ;
Æt. 76.

The son of JOHN, Jr., and ELIZABETH (CUTTER) WILLIAMS,
born July 4, 1746.

[Willow Tree.]

IN

memory of

ALMIRA,

dau. of Cap. Thomas

& Mrs. Milly Blood,

who died

Aug. 19, 1822.

Æt. 5 yr. 10 mo.

*There is beyond the skies,
A heaven of joy and love,
And all good children when the
Go to that world above. (die,*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

Memory of

MR. DAVID GREEN

Born at Groton, March 10.

1741. Died at Mason N. H.

Nov. 10. 1822.

Æt. 81.

*Stop, Friend and read as you pass by ;
As you are now, so once was I ;
As I am now, so you must be ;
Prepare for Death, and follow me.*

The son of JONATHAN and SARAH (LAKIN) GREEN.

1823

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

DOCT.

SAMUEL HEMENWAY,

Son of Lieut. Samuel Hemenway

who died

Jan. 8, 1823 ;

Æt. 45.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

to the

memory of

MRS. PHEBE RICHARDSON,

*Consort of**Alpheus Richardson Esq.*

who died April 28. 1823.

Æt. 46.

*Death is a debt, to nature due,
I've paid the debt, and so must you.*

In memory of

JOHN BRIGHT,

who died

May 31, 1823,

Æt. 71.

*The days of our years are three score years and ten ;
and if by reason of strength they be four score years,
yet is their strength labour and sorrow ; for it is
soon cut off, and we pass away.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MRS.

ANN BATES,

wife of Stephen Bates Esq.
who died at Dunstable N. H.

Nov. 10, 1823,
aged 22.

*Death with his dart has pierc'd my heart,
When I was in my prime;
When this you see grieve not for me,
'Twas God's appointed time.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

memory of

MRS. HEPZIBATH BALL,
who died Nov. 14, 1823;

Æ. 73.

*She was many years the wife of
Mr. Benjamin Faquith & about
3 months the wife of Eleazer
Ball Esq.*

The daughter of JOSEPH, Jr., and HANNAH (BLOOD) BLOOD,
born April 8, 1751.

1824

[Willow Tree.]

In memory of two
*Daughters of Mr. Luke
and Mrs.*

Sarah Farnsworth,
Susanna Augusta,
born Oct. 29, 1816,
died Jan. 12, 1824.
Mary born Oct. 2, 1818,
died Jan. 15, 1824.

[Willow Tree.]

EBENEZER,

Son of

Lieut. Ebenezer and

Mrs. Susan D. Hopkins,

died Jan. 14, 1824 ;

Æt. 5 years.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

MRS. REBEKAH,

wife of Mr. Jonas Stone,

who died

Jan. 27, 1824,

Æt. 82.

1825

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ABI

STIMSON

formerly wife of Capt.

Jephthah Richardson

of Groton, since, wife of

Jeremy Stimson Esq.

late of Hopkinton deceased.

died May 17, 1825.

Æt. 68.

Detraction ! approach not thou this Hal-

She was a meek, humble, professing ^(lowest spot.)

[Christian.]

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

MRS.

EUNICE NUTTING,

wife of

Mr. Abijah Nutting,

who died

June 2, 1825 ;

Æt. 49.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SACRED

To the
memory of

MR. FREDERICK

AUGUSTUS RICHARDSON,

Son of Mr. Alpheus &

Mrs. Phebe Richardson,

who died June 4, 1825 ;

Æt. 19 years.

*As Jesus died and rose again,
Victorious from the dead ;
So his disciples rise and reign,
With their triumphant head.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of

SALMON,

Son of Mr. Abijah &

Mrs. Eunice Nutting,

who died

June 7, 1825,

Æt. 17.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

memory of

MRS. RUTH AMES,

widow of

Mr. Robert Ames, Jr.

who died

July 3, 1825 ;

Æt. 68.

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

In memory of
two Daughters of
MR. LUKE & MRS.
SARAH FARNSWORTH,
SARAH, born Nov. 3, 1822 ;
died Sept 6, 1825.
MARY SUSANNA
AUGUSTA, born Febr.
20, 1825 ;
died Sept. 16, 1825.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

Sacred

To the memory of
MRS. LYDIA,
wife of
Dea. Timothy Stone,
who died
Sept. 24, 1825,
Æt. 52 years.

*Forgive, blest shade, the tributary [tear],
That mourns thy exit from a world like this ;
Forgive the wish that would have kept thee here
And stayed thy progress to the seats of bliss.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

To the
memory of
MISS CAROLINE
Daughter of the late
Mr. Alpheus and
Mrs. Phebe Richardson
who died Oct. 5, 1825 ;
Æt. 16.

*What though once we perish'd all,
Partners of our parents fall ;
Second life we shall receive,
And in Christ forever live.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MRS. PRUDENCE

wife of

Mr. Joseph Abbott,

died

Oct. 25, 1825.

Æt. 47.

*As I am now so you must be,
Prepare for death and follow me.*

1826

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

MRS.

SARAH HEMENWAY,

Widow of

Lieut. Samuel Hemenway,

who died

April 15, 1826,

Æt. 71.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN

Memory of

MRS. MARY,

wife of Mr. John Burgess,

who died

April 21, 1826,

Æt. 55.

*Through every scene of life and death,
HIS promise was my trust ;
And may this be my children's song,
Now I am in the dust.*

Her maiden name was REED ; she was married August 31, 1803.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. JANE
wife of Lieut Jonas Farnsworth,
who died
May 20, 1826;
Æt. 73.

*She was an exemplary member of the Church
about 50 years.*

*"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt
be saved."*

[*Willow Tree.*]

WM. HENRY,
*Son of Mr. William
and Mrs. Sally Smart*
died
Aug. 2, 1826,
Æt. 18 mo.

*Our little Son from us is gone,
And why should we his loss bemoan¹.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. PHEBE SHEPLE
Wife of
Mr. Wilder Sheple,
who died
Aug. 27. 1826.
Æt. 62.

*My Flesh shall slumber in the ground
Till the last trumpets sound
Then burst my chains with sweet surprise
And in my Saviours image rise.*

[Willow Tree.]

GEORGE C.

Son of Mr. Isaac &

Mrs. Anna Bullard,

died Dec. 24, 1826 ;

Æt. 4 ys.

Here lovely child thy dear remain

Enjoy a quiet sweet repose,

Whilst thy blest soul in angel strains,

Chants for thy song no mortal knows.

1827

[Willow Tree.]

In memory of

MR.

ZARA PATCH,

who died

Jan. 9, 1827,

Æt. 43.

The son of JACOB and MARY (HAZEN) PATCH; he married
SUSANNA, daughter of WILLIAM NUTTING.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MRS. ANNA

wife of

Mr. Isaac Bullard,

died

Feb. 22, 1827,

Æt. 31.

When I lie buried deep in dust,

My flesh shall be thy care, —

My with'ring limbs with thee I trust,

To raise them strong and fair.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of

MR.

TIMOTHY STONE JR

who died

March 19, 1827,

Æt. 42.

EMELY, *Daughter of*

Timothy & Mary Stone,

died March 13, 1819,

Æt. 23 months.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of

MR. JOB SHATTUCK,

who died

May 4, 1827 :

Æt. 68.

The son of JOB and SARAH (HARTWELL) SHATTUCK, born December 10, 1758 ; he enlisted in the Continental Army in the year 1780.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In Memory of

MR. JOEL LAWRENCE,

who died

May 26, 1827,

Æt. 60.

*Blessed are the dead, who die in
the Lord.*

The son of JONATHAN and ESTHER (SHED) LAWRENCE, born July 21, 1767 ; he married, first, RUTH, daughter of JONATHAN COLLIER, of Groton ; secondly, BETSEY STEDMAN, and, thirdly, ISABELLA WILLARD, of Langdon, New Hampshire.

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

In Memory of

MR. JOSHUA DAVIS.

who died

July 5, 1827 ; Æt. 79.

ALSO MRS. SIBEL,

his wife

died Jan. 12, 1799 ; Æt. 25.

AND MRS. BETSY

his wife

sister of his former wife

died Aug. 27, 1818 ; Æt. 42.

Thrice happy shades now freed from cares

Our mortal frames at rest ;

Secure from pain and grief and fears,

With kindred souls we are blest.

1828

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

to the memory of

CAP.

NATHAN BROWN,

who died

Jan. 9, 1828,

Æt. 83 ys. & 8 ms.

*" All the days of my appointed
time did I wait, till my change
came. "*

[Willow Tree.]

MOSES A

Son of Mr. Moses &

Mrs. Kesiah Gill,

died Feb. 28, 1828 :

Æt. 7. weeks.

Farewell sweet babe we part in pain,

No more on earth to meet again ;

We soon shall meet on that blest shore,

Where parting hours are known no more.

[*Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.*]

LYMAN FLETCHER
died Oct. 24, 1828,
Aged 55.
ABIGAIL,
wife of Lyman Fletcher
died Nov. 2, 1849,
Aged 69.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
JAMES LEWIS Esq.
who died
Dec. 24, 1828,
Æt. 67.

The son of JAMES and REBECCA (BROWN) LEWIS, born January 26, 1761, at Billerica; he married, December 19, 1782, LUCY CROSBY, and removed, May 24, 1796, to Groton, where he lived with his father.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. LUCY,
wife of James Lewis Esq.
who died
Dec. 30, 1828,
Æt. 63.

The daughter of HEZEKIAH CROSBY, of Billerica; she was born November 10, 1765.

1829

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

In memory of
 MR. SALMON
 LAWRENCE JR.
 who died
 Jan. 17. 1829.
 Æt. 40 yrs,
 Also
 MRS. SALLY
 his wife died
 March 23. 1818.
 Æt. 30 yrs.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN
 Memory of
 MR. JOHN BURGESS,
 who died
 March 19, 1829,
 Æt. 77.

*Farewell dear friends, and children too,
 For Christ has call'd me home;
 In a short time he'll call for you,
 Prepare yourselves to come.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
 MR.
 BRADLEY HOPKINS,
 who died
 June 24, 1829;
 Æt. 27.

*Consoling thought! dear parent dry your tears,
 Your son has gone beyond your anxious fears;
 Weep not for him, his tears are wip'd away,
 He's paid that debt, we all must shortly pay.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

Memory of
MRS. HANNAH,
wife of Mr. John Tarbell,
who died Aug. 6, 1829,
Æt. 93 years &
8 months.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

Memory of
MR
SALMON LAWRENCE,
who died
Sep. 23, 1829,
Æt. 64.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

IN

Memory of
MRS. MARY,
wife of Mr. Richard Sawtell
who died
Sept. 26, 1829,
Æt. 79.

1830

NOAH SHATTUCK'S

Tomb Erected 1830.

*A narrative of HIS progenitors
who hath lived and died in Groton.*HIS, G't grand Fa. WM. SHATTUCK,
*from Europe as early as 1689: D. 1730.*HIS, grand Fa. WM. SHATTUCK 2d.
*born 1692: D. 1758.*MARGARET, *his wife, m'dn n'm Lunn, D. 1764.*HIS, Fa. JOB SHATTUCK, 5th Son of WM.
SHATTUCK 2d. *born 1736: D. 1819.*SARAH, *his wife, m'dn n'm Hartwell,*
born 1738: D. 1798.

NOAH SHATTUCK DIED

*Sept. 28, 1858. Aged 86 y'rs.*ANNA, *his wife, died*
April 15, 1863. Aged 85 y'rs.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
MRS. LUCY,
wife of Mr. Asa Lawrence,
who died
June 19, 1830:
Æt. 49.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN
Memory of
MRS. SARAH,
widow of Mr. Abel Bancroft,
who died
July 8, 1830.
Æt. 77.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
MR. GEORGE W.
son of Doct. Samuel Hemenway
who died
Sept. 5, 1830;
Æt. 23.
Be honest, be just, and fear not.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MISS MARY ANN
Daughter of Mr.
Joseph & Mrs.
Prudence Abbott,
died Oct. 10,
1830. Æt. 18.
Farewell dear brothers young and old
Farewell dear sisters too,
My cheeks are pale my hands are cold,
And I must bid you all adieu.

1831

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

IN
Memory of
LT.
PELATIAH RUSSELL,
who died
Jan. 21, 1831,
Æt. 77.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
CAPT. THOMAS
FARNESWORTH
who died
May 1, 1831.
Æt. 43.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

to the memory of

BENJAMIN W. RICHARDSON,
who died

Sept. 19, 1831.

Æt. 11 ys. & 8 ds.

*This lovely bud, so young and fair.
Call'd hence by early doom;
Just come to show, how sweet a flower
In Paradise could bloom.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

MRS. RUTH,

wife of

Lieut. Elnathan Sawtell,

who died Dec. 16,

1831, Æt. 68 ys.

& 6 ms.

*Sudden she was call'd to go,
And bid adieu to all below;
Sudden the vital spirit fled,
And she was number'd with the dead.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

WILLIAM NUTTING ESQ

who died

April 18, 1832.

Æt. 80.

*Ye fields that witnessed once his tears,
Ye winds that wafted oft his praise;
That river where he breath'd his prayers,
No more shall hear his cheerful lays,
Through Christ his sins are all forgiven,
His praises now are sung in heaven.*

1832

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. SALLY,
wife of Mr. Aaron Lewis,
who died
April 19, 1832.
Æt. 43.

The daughter of OLIVER and ABIGAIL SPAULDING, born October
25, 1792.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MISS SARAH Y.
daughter of Mr. Joel &
Mrs. Betsy Davis, who
died May 27, 1832,
Æt. 20.

*Death with his dart has pierc'd my heart,
When I was in my prime;
When this you see grieve not for me,
'T was God's appointed time.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.* *Urn and Willow Tree.*]

MR. WILLIAM
BANCROFT
died
May 28, 1832,
Æt. 76.

MRS. AGNESS,
his wife, died
July 30, 1832,
Æt. 76.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
CAPT.
AARON BROWN,
who died
Aug. 19, 1832.
Æt. 44.

*Friends nor physicians could not save
This mortal Body from thee grave.*

The son of NATHAN and SARAH (SOMES) BROWN, born
September 21, 1788, at Wenham ; married, June 6, 1811, SARAH
PIERCE, of Groton.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MR.
LUTHER BLOOD,
who died
Sept. 8, 1832,
Æt. 47.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. MIMA,
wife of
Mr. Levi Burgess,
who died
Dec. 22, 1832 ;
Æt. 55.

1833

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

DOCTOR
BENJAMIN
MORSE,
died May 21, 1833,
Æt. 93.
MRS. MARY
his wife, died
Dec 16. 1835.
Æt. 94.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
MRS. MILLY,
wife of Capt. Thomas Blood,
who died
June 4, 1833,
Æt. 54.

*Farewell dear partner children all,
I now must go my Jesus calls ;
With patience wait prepared be,
In a short time you'l follow me.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
CAPT. SAMSON
FARNSWORTH.
who died
July 1. 1833.
Æt. 88.

*No age from death can fly,
No friends but what must part;
Death will dissolve the tenderest lie,
That's formed within the heart.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SAMUEL P.

Son of Mr.

Reuben & Mrs.

Mary Hartwell,

died Sep. 18,

1833. Æt. 3 ys.

7 ms. & 3 ds.

*Wean us O Lord from things below,
And raise our minds above ;
Thy heavenly treasures to us show,
And fill us with thy love.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of

MR.

ARTEMAS HEMENWAY,

who died

Oct. 5, 1833,

Æt. 37.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of

MR.

BENJAMIN F.

SAWTELL,

who died

Nov. 2, 1833 ;

Æt. 33.

*Dear companion, thou hast left us,
And thy loss we deeply feel ;
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.*

FREDERICK ALONZO

SIMONDS,

Son of

Hiram & Mary Gale,

died Nov. 23, 1833 ;

Aged 9 months.

*This lovely plant so young & fair
Call'd hence by early doom
Just come to show ^{how} sweet a flower
In Paradise would bloom.*

1834

[North Side.]

[A MONUMENT.]

*Man lives his little hour and
Falls, too oft unheeded down.*

SACRED

to the Memory of

CAPT. ABRAM CHILD

who was born at Waltham, 1741, and died
at Groton, Jan. 3, 1834, Aged 93 yrs.

He entered the army in the
French War, at the age of 17 yrs.

Was with Gen. Amherst at the capture of
Ticonderoga and Crown Point, in 1759.

He was a Lieutenant among the
Minute Men, and aided in the Concord Fight,
and the Battle of Bunker Hill, in 1775.

Joining Washington,
he was one of the Immortal Band
which crossed the Delaware, Dec. 25, 1776,
and turned the tide of war, in the Victories
of Trenton, and Princeton.

Detached to the North,
he fought in the two Battles of Stillwater,
and witnessed the surrender of Burgoyne, in 1777.

Rejoining Washington,
he bore equally the Frosts of Valley Forge,
and the Heats of Monmouth, in 1778.

Detailed with Gen. Wayne,
he crowned his Military career,
by heading the Infantry as oldest Captain
in the gallant capture of Stoney Point, in 1779,
where he received the only wound that
marked his eventful services.

REBECCA STOWELL,
his wife died Nov. 1830, Æt. 84.

[*South Side.*]

SACRED
to the Memories of
JOSHUA BENTLEY
of Boston, who died at Groton, Apr. 15, 1819,
Æ. 95 yrs.

And of his wife
ELIZABETH PAINE,
who died at Boston, Oct. 1804, Æ. 66.

Also in Memory of
DAVID CHILD
who died Oct. 1838, Æ. 71.

And of his wife
Mrs. SUSANNA WOOLLEY,
who died July 26, 1851, Æ. 77.

And of their Daughter
MARY PAINE CHILD,
who died Aug. 29, 1825, Æ. 18.

Also in Memory of
WILLIAM CHILD
who died June 17, 1844, Æ. 73.

And of his wives
REBECCA CLARK,
who died Mar. 24, 1820, Æ. 52.
DORCAS THORNING,
died Sept. 12, 1870,
Æ. 78.

[*East Side.*]

*Mrs. Nancy
Tuttle,
died Mar.
3, 1873,
Æ. 78 yrs.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MRS.
PHEBE CROUCH
died
Feb. 7, 1834,
Aged 74 yrs.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. ANNA,
wife of Mr. Samuel Rockwood
who died
May 3, 1834.
Æt. 54.

The daughter of ABNER and ABIGAIL HOUGHTON ; she was
born April 4, 1781, at Winchester, New Hampshire.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MR.
WILLIAM BURGES,
who died
June 11, 1834,
Æt. 38.

*Farewell my Partner, Children dear ;
Weep not for me, dry up your tears ;
And when the last loud trump shall sound,
I hope in Christ we shall be found.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. MARY,
wife of
William Nutting Esq.
who died
June 16, 1834 :
Æt. 76.
*Calm was her life,
and her end was peace.*

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

MR.
JOHN LAWRENCE, ^d
died
July 9, 1834,
Æt. 59.
MRS. MARGARET,
his wife,
died
May 20, 1845,
Æt. 67.

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

In memory of
MR.
JEDUTHUN STANLEY,
who died Aug: 18,
1834. Æt. 86.
Also MRS. DORCAS,
his wife, died
April 29, 1834,
Æt. 87.

*Sleep on dear parents, thy rest is sweet,
Thy pain is o'er, thy bliss complete ;
Each soul is wash'd in Jesus' blood,
Shall dwell forever with their God.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
MR. JOHN
JOHNSON,
who died
Aug. 21, 1834,
Æt. 72.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

REBECCA,
Wife of
JOHN BOIT, died
Aug. 23, 1834,
Æt. 52.
*William Son of John
& Rebecca Boit,*
died Dec. 12, 1844,
Æt. 25 yrs.

*Though loved, and lost, to weep were vain,
For thee who nier shall weep again.
L. Parker [fecit.]*

[*Willow Tree.*]

BENJAMIN S.
*son of Solomon &
Dorcas Frost,*
died
Sept. 5, 1834.
Æt. 4 weeks.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MR.
JEREMIAH HEMENWAY,
who died
Nov. 16, 1834,
Æt. 52.



THE SHEPLE MONUMENT.

1835

[West Side.]

[Urn.]

[A MONUMENT.]

ERECTED. *In memory of*

Mr. Oliver Sheple Jr. Printer, who departed this life Feb. 4, 1835. in the city of Boston Æ 25 ys. 5 mo. & 3 days. he had Just Commenced publishing in Boston a religious newspaper (the Christian witness) When it pleased God in his wise Providence to take him from us, he was born in west Florida now the State of Mississippi, Sept. 1, A. D. 1809. he left there and came to Groton, A. D. 1815. Paus young men and Reflect, here rests the body of a young man cut off in the morning of life whose prospects was good. Surrounded by friends, and beloved and esteemed for his high sence of honour and rectitude in all his dealings with his fellow men, his gentle, manly deportment and urbanity, of manners endeared him to all who knew him; he was a lover and follower of the Saviour of the world and he died calling upon the name of the Lord. he has left a fond Father and brother to lament his early departure and much occasion have they to mourn the loss.

[South Side.]

SACRED

To the Memory of

Mrs. Hannah, wife of David Phelps M D of Connecticut who died June 1, 1833 æt. 72. & whose body lies on this side of this Monument, she was mother in law to Oliver Sheple Esq. & grandmother to Oliver Sheple Jr. & Franklin & Washington Sheple, A. D. 1810, her Father Mr. Ithamar Andrews. died in west Florida now the State of Mississippi, æt. 84, in the same place, A. D. 1811, her mother Mrs. Hannah Andrews, died æt. 72. A. D. 1812, her dau^t. Rossalixde Phelps. died æt. 26. who are buried in said State.

[North Side.]

Built by J. Fitch, Groton 1835.

SACRED

To the memory of

Mrs. Atalanta, Consort of

Oliver Sheple Esq. who departed this
life and is buried in west Florida now the
State of Mississippi, Sept. 20, 1814. aet. 22. ys
7 ms. & 16 days. and also in said place
Franklin Sheple, son of said Oliver and
Atalanta his wife, died July 30, 1814, aet. 3 ys.
4 mo. & 10 days.

[East Side.]

Genealogy of the Sheples from 1630 to 1835
205 years.

Genealogy of the Sheple or Shepley. John Sheple,
Settled in Salem Mass. A. D. 1630. A. D. 1660. One
of the family Settled in Groton. A. D. 1676. the Indi-
ans massacred all the Sheples in Groton save a John
Sheple 16 years old who the carried captive to Can-
ada and kept him 4 years. after which he return-
ed to Groton and from him descended all the Sh-
eples or Shepleys in this Vicinity, said Capt.
John Sheple married Lydia Lakin, and he
had by her 4 sons & 1 dau^t his son Joseph Shep-
le Esq. married Eunice Parker, and he had by
her 4 sons & 3 dau^t. She died aug. 1767. aet.
42 ys. He died Oct. 16, 1795. aet. 74. years. Mr
Wilder Sheple, son of Joseph, married Phebe
Fletcher, and had by her 4 sons & 1 dau^t he
died apr. 2, 1814 aet. 60. she died aug. 27, 1826.
aet. 62. Oliver Sheple Esq. son of Wilder, was born aug.
7, 1786. and married nov. 24, A. D. 1808. to Atalanta
Phelps, dau^t of Doct. David Phelps Connec^t she was bo
rn Feb. 4, 1792. and he had by her 3 sons viz Oliver
Franklin & Washington, She died Sept. 20, 1814. aet^t
22 ys. 7 ms. & 16 ds. Oliver Sheple Fr. born Sept. 1, 1809
died Feb. 4, A. D. 1835. aet. 25 ys. 5 ms. & 3 ds. Franklin She-
ple born march 20 A. D. 1811, died July 30, 1814. aet. 3 ys.
4 ms. & 10 ds. Washington Sheple, born Sept. 9, 1813.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MRS. LUCY,
wife of
Mr. Asa Lewis,
 DIED
 Sept. 29, 1835,
 Æt. 58.

*Our life how short ! again a sigh ;
 We live and then begin to die :
 But oh ! how great a mercy this,
 That death's a portal into bliss !
 My soul ! death swallows up thy fears,
 My grave clothes wipe away all tears ;
 Why should we fear this parting pain,
 Who die, that we may live again.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

LEVI HENRY,
Son of
Robert & Deborah
 MELLEN, died
 Sep. 29, 1835,
 Æt. 20 mons.

*O yes dear child I fondly lov'd the,
 And on the, will my memory dwell ;
 Shall I never more behold the,
 Must I, Oh ! must I say farewell.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of
 CAPT.
 THOMAS BLOOD,
 who died
 Oct. 13, 1835 ;
 Æt. 59.

*Canst thou by faith, survey with joy ;
 The change before it comes ?
 And say, " let death this house destroy,
 I have a heavenly home."*

[*Monument.* *Willow Tree and Urn.* *Monument.*]

LYDIA,
Wife of
 NATHAN AMES,
 DIED
 Oct. 21, 1835,
 Æt. 71

SALLY
 wife of
 Luther Hartwell,
 died
 Oct. 21, 1835,
 Æ. 42.

1836

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
 MRS. MARY.
wife of
Mr. John Shepley
 who died
 April 27, 1836;
 Æt. 88.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
 MRS. SUSAN,
wife of
Mr. John Johnson,
 who died
 Aug. 12, 1836,
 Æt. 69.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

LIEUT.

ELNATHAN SAWTELL,

who died

Aug. 31, 1836,

Æt. 83.

*Dry up your tears surviving friends,
Weep not for me but for your sins ;
Die to the world live unto God,
The grave will soon be your abode.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED

to the memory of

CAPT.

STEPHEN SHEPLEY,

Oct. 17, 1836,

Aged 45.

He married, April 9, 1818, AMELIA SHATTUCK.

LUTHER DAVIS

DIED

DEC. 24, 1836 ;

AGED 42.

1837

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

MR. LEVI

BURGESS,

who died

Feb. 24, 1837 ;

Æt. 61.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of

MR.

JAMES SHEPLE,

who died

Feb. 25, 1837,

Æt. 86.

*Verses on tomb stones are but idly spent
The character is the best monument.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

CHARLES HENRY,

Son of Henry and

Nancy Kimball,

died March 21, 1837.

Æt. 4 ys. & 6 ms.

*This lovely bud, so young and fair,
Called hence by early doom,
Fust come to see how sweet a flower,
In Paradise would bloom.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SARAH

wife of

Amos Bancroft M. D.

died

April 30, 1837,

Æt. 69.

The daughter of HENRY and FAITH (SAVAGE) BASS, of Boston.

[Willow Tree.]

SARAH FRANCES

*daughter of David &**Sarah G. Colburn,*

died

June 27, 1837 ;

Æt. 9 ys. 3 ms.

& 13 ds.

*Friends nor Physicians could not save,
This little body from the grave ;
Nor can the grave confine it here,
When Christ does call it to appear.*

[Willow Tree.]

MARY ARBY,

*daughter of Henry**and Abigail Hill,*

died

Aug. 21, 1837,

Æt. 1 yr. & 4 ms.

*Rest, sweet babe, in gentle slum^{bers,}
Till the resurrection morn ;
Then arise to join the numbers,
Who its triumphs shall adorn.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

In memory of

MISS PHEBE ANN

RICHARDSON,

who died

Oct. 5, 1837 ;

Æt. 26.

*'Tis religion that can give
Sweetest pleasure while we live ;
'Tis religion must supply
Solid comfort when we die.*

1838

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

WILLIAM H.

died

Mar. 17, 1838,

Æt. 8 ms. & 8 ds.

JOSEPH W.

died

Feb. 27, 1844,

Æt. 22 months.

*Sons of George &**Jerusha Hunt.*

These buds of promise left earth's fading flow^{lers,}
That they might beautify celestial bowers,
At heaven's glorious gate they've entered in,
Unmark'd by sorrow or unstain'd by sin.
J. Park [fecit.]

[Willow Tree.]

LAURA JANE,

*daughter of Moses**and Keniah Gill,*

died June 15,

1838, Æt. 18 ms.

Ere sin could blight, or sorrow fade,
Death came with friendly care ;
Our little babe to Heaven conveyed,
And bade it dwell forever there.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MOSES DAY JR.

died

July 30, 1838

Æt. 37.

1839

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ELIZABETH,
daughter of Aaron
and Emely Pressey,
 died Feb. 12,
 1839. Æt. 3 ms.
 & 21 ds.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

WILLIAM W.
Son of Warner S.
& Mary F. Lund,
died
March 2, 1839
Æt. 3 ms. & 12 ds.

[*Monument.**Willow Tree and Urn.*[*Monument.*]

DEA.
 TIMOTHY STONE,
 died
 March 10, 1839,
 Æt. 68.

If a man die, shall he live again?

1840

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MISS
 SARAH S.
daughter of
Capt. Aaron &
Mrs. Sarah Brown,
 died
 April 23, 1840,
 Æt. 24.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

Mrs. DORCAS,
wife of Capt.
Ebenezer Hopkins,
 died
 Sept. 23, 1840,
 Æt. 66.

[*Urn and Willow Tree.*]

In memory of
 SIMEON NUTTING,
 who died
 Oct. 10, 1840.
 Aged 39.

1841

[*Willow Tree and Monument.*]

MILEY, Wife of
 Abraham SIMONDS,
 Died Feb. 9, 1841,
 Aged 59.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MARY ANN,
Daughter of Amos
and Sarah Bancroft,
 died
 Feb. 26, 1841,
 Æt. 31.

[*Monument. Willow Tree. Monument.*]

SARAH,
wife of
 Reuben Wyman,
 Died
 Mar. 29, 1841,
 Æt. 44.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MR. ABIJAH
BENNETT,
died

July 24, 1841,
Æt. 55.

*Still he lives ! His form, though perished
Lives within :
There, his memory fondly cherished
E'er hath been.*

MRS. SARAH,
wife of
Mr. Shadrach Bardeen,
Died
Oct. 18, 1841,
Æt. 58.

Her maiden name was NUTTING.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

In memory of
MRS. SARAH J.
wife of Mr.
Daniel P. Jewett,
who died
Oct. 20, 1841,
Æt. 23.

1842

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MRS. SARAH,
wife of Mr.
Thomas R. Pierce,
 died

March 7, 1842,
 Æt. 42.

*Died happy, and gone
 to rest.*

The daughter of JOHN and MARY (SHEDD) BURGESS, born December, 28, 1799. Her husband, THOMAS RAINSFORD, was the son of ELIJAH and REBECCA (RAINSFORD) PIERCE, born April 9, 1799; they were married April 1, 1824. ELIJAH was the son of SAMUEL and LUCY (WALLINGSFORD) PIERCE.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MR.
 JOSEPH SAWTELL
 died

March 21, 1842,
 Æt. 78.

*Behold and see, as you pass by,
 As you are now, so once was I;
 As I am now, so you must be,
 Prepare for death and follow me.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

GEORGE W.
*Son of Levi &
 Mima Burgess,*

DIED
 Oct. 23, 1842,
 Æt. 20

Prepare to meet thy God.

PHINEAS NUTTING

DIED

Nov. 27, 1842,

Aged 73.

[*Willow Tree.*]

JAMES

DEMMORE,

*eldest Child of**James &**Nancy Johnson,**died*

Nov. 28, 1842,

Æt. 7 weeks.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MR.

ROBERT DOLDT,

died

Dec. 4, 1842,

Æt. 42.

1843

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MRS. BETSY,

*wife of**Mr. Joel Davis,*

died Jan. 26, 1843.

Æt. 58

*Return!**Suppress the mournful sigh,**For she is happy, no more to die.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MR. SOLOMON

FROST,

died

March 10, 1843,

Æt. 46.

MR. JOSEPH D.

NUTTING,

DIED

March 28, 1843 ;

Æt. 56.

*"Happy as mortal can be,
because I have trusted in the Lord
Jesus Christ for pardon and
salvation."*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MRS. LUCY,

wife of Mr.

Samuel Rockwood,

died

April 15, 1843,

Æt. 54.

The daughter of WILLIAM and REBECCA (BALL) WESTON, of
Townsend, born March 11, 1789.

LEONARD FARR,

DIED

June 27, 1843,

Æt. 64.

PERSIS,

his wife

died Sept. 27, 1857,

Æt. 77 y'rs 5 mo's.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

SACRED
to the memory of
MRS. HARRIET
AUGUSTA,
wife of Mr.
Henry K. Kemp,
who died
Aug. 17, 1843,
Æt. 25.

*My flesh shall slumber in the ground,
Till the last trumpets joyful sound;
Then burst the chains with sweet surprise
And in my Saviour's image rise.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

Frances Lorient,
Daughter of
Milo and
Elizabeth P. Russell,
died
Oct. 13, 1843,
Æt. 3 months.

*Suffer little children to come unto
me, for of such is the kingdom of hea*
[ven.]

MR
SHADRACH BARDEEN
DIED
Dec. 1, 1843,
Æt. 65.

1844

RACHEL,
wife of
James McLain,
DIED
Jan. 2, 1844.
Æt. 53.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MRS. HANNAH,
wife of
Mr. Elisha Young,
died
Jan. 2, 1844,
Æt. 81.

*They die in Jesus and are blest :
How kind their slumbers are :
From sufferings and from sins releas'd,
And freed from every snare."*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ABRAHAM
SIMONDS,
died
March 13, 1844,
Æt. 66 yrs.

[Urn. Willow Tree. Urn.]

MR.
JAMES MOORS
DIED

March 26, 1844,

Æt. 34.

MRS. MARY H.
wife of Mr.

James Moors,

DIED

March 22, 1847

Æt. 32.

*The victory now is obtain'd ;
They are gone their dear Savior to see ;
Their wishes they fully have gain'd,
They are now where they longed to be.*

MRS. LUCINDA,
wife of
Mr. Joseph D. Nutting,

DIED

April 1, 1844 ;

Æt. 57.

*In life, humble and devoted,
In death, quiet and resigned,
trusting in her Savior.*

The daughter of JONATHAN and HANNAH KEEP, born
September 14, 1787.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

*Elizabeth
Josephine,
Daughter of
Phineas &
Rachel Parker,
died
July 15, 1844,
Æt. 2 ys. & 7 ms.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SAMUEL W. WILSON

drowned

July 22, 1844,

Aged 28 years

and 6 months.

*Son of Samuel & Lucy
Wilson, of Nelson, N. H.*

*Death stalks abroad in varied shape,
His fatal hand can none escape.*

He worked for Major AMOS FARNSWORTH, and was drowned while fording the Nashua River with a load of hay.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MRS. AMELIA,

wife of Capt.

Stephen Shepley,

died

Aug. 20, 1844.

Æt. 52.

Her maiden name was SHATTUCK; she was married April 9, 1818.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

BENJAMIN T.

Son of

William F. and

Caroline Hewes,

DIED

AUG. 29, 1844,

ÆT. 1 YEAR

4 MS. & 25 DS.

Y. Park [scit.]

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MISS ALMIRA
Daughter of
William and
Polly Kemp,
 DIED
 OCT. 10. 1844,
 Æt. 31.

Blessed are the dead, who die in the Lord.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MRS. RUTH,
wife of
 Oliver Blood,
 DIED
 Dec. 2, 1844,
 Æt. 70.

1845

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MRS. ABIGAIL T.
wife of
George W. Weston,
 DIED
 Feb. 7, 1845,
 Æt. 40.

*The months of affliction are o'er,
 The days and the nights of distress;
 We see her in anguish no more—
 She has found a happy release.*

The daughter of DAVID and ——— (TRULL) WILKINS, of Amherst,
 New Hampshire.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MARTHA,
dau. of
 John A. and
 Susan M. Hunt
died
 Sept. 7, 1845,
 Æt. 4 weeks.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MARY
 ELIZABETH,
Daughter of
Milo and
Elisabeth Russell,
died
 Oct. 5, 1845,
 Æt. 17 ys & 2 ms.

Blessed are the dead,
who die in the Lord.

J. Park [fecit].

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

JOSIAH F.
Son of George &
Sarah Richardson,
died
 Oct. 15, 1845,
 Æt. 5 months.

Safely, peacefull,
Lay him to rest;
Place the turf lightly
O'er his young breast.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

Miss LUCY
LAWRENCE

DIED
Dec. 12, 1845,
Æt. 49.

1846

ABEL DAVIS

Born

June 30, 1768 ;

Died

Jan. 30, 1846

OLIVE

Relict of Abel Davis

Born Jan. 15, 1766 ;

Died May 17, 1862 ;

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

CASINDANA S.

Daughter of

Daniel N. and

Sophia Bardeen.

DIED

Feb. 26, 1846,

Aged 13 ys. 4 ms.

and 21 days.

MR.

WILLIAM D. NUTTING

DIED

March 19, 1846,

Æt. 26 yrs.

Husband, thou art gone to rest ;

And this shall be my prayer :

That when I reach my journeys end ;

Thy glory I may share.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MR.
ASA LEWIS
DIED
June 10, 1846,
Æt. 68.

*Our labours done, securely laid
In this our last retreat,
Unheeded o'er our silent dust
The storms of life shall beat.
The pains of death are past;
Labour and sorrow cease;
And life's long warfare closed at last
His soul is found in peace.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MISS
MAHALA HUNT
DIED
July 11, 1846,
Æt. 45.

*For death to her spirit was gain
Since Christ was her life when below.*

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

JOHN HOLMES
died
Aug. 15, 1846,
Æt. 67.

1847

MARY M.
 Daughter of
 Leonard & Lydia
 FARWELL,
 DIED
 Dec. 6, 1847,
 Æt. 21 yrs. & 4 mos.

1848

MRS. BETSEY SPALTER

DIED
 May 10, 1848,
 Aged 76 years.

*She walked in the light of her
 Saviour's countenance, and in his
 righteousness was she exalted.
 "She is not here, she has ascended to
 the bosom of her Father and her God."*

The daughter of MOSES and SARAH CHILD, born November 2,
 1771; she married, first, TIMOTHY SPAULDING, and, secondly,
 JOHN SPALTER.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

LUCY,
wife of Dea.
Samuel Rockwood,
 died
 May 12, 1848,
 Æt. 91.

The daughter of NATHAN and MARY HUBBARD, born August
 20, 1757; she was married January 19, 1780.

JOHN SHATTUCK

Died

May 20, 1848.

Æt. 70.

MARY,

his wife

died Nov. 7, 1852.

Æt. 77.

The son of NATHANIEL and EUNICE (HAZEN) SHATTUCK, born March 22, 1778 ; his wife was a daughter of THOMAS BENNETT, born February 4, 1776.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

DR. AMOS BANCROFT

DIED

July 12, 1848,

Æt. 81.

The son of EDMUND and RACHEL H. (BARRON) BANCROFT, born May 23, 1767, at Pepperell ; he graduated at Harvard College in the class of 1791, and studied medicine with Dr. OLIVER PRESCOTT, Jr. He was knocked down by a wagon in State Street, Boston, and lived but a few hours afterward.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ELIZABETH,

wife of

Timothy Blood, Jr.

died

July 31, 1848,

Æt. 40 ys. 7 ms.

*Behold and see as you pass by,
As you are now so once was I ;
As I am now so you must be,
Prepare for death and follow me.*

1849

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

ABNER SHEPLEY

DIED

Mar. 20, 1849,

Aged 63.[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

OLIVER BLOOD

died

June 5, 1849,

Æt. 74.[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MARY HAZEN,

died

June 20, 1849;

Æt. 23.

*Friends nor physicians could not save
My mortal body from the grave;
Nor can the grave confine me here,
When Christ the light doth appear.*

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MR. AARON LEWIS

DIED

Oct. 9, 1849,

Æt. 63.

The son of JAMES and LUCY (CROSBY) LEWIS, born December 11, 1786, at Billerica; he married, December 28, 1814, SARAH SPAULDING.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

CHARLOTTE
wife of
Charles Gilson.
(Formerly wife of
David Nutting.)

DIED
Nov. 8, 1849,
Æt. 61.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

JAMES BENNETT,
died
Nov. 20, 1849,
Æt. 70 yrs.

1850

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

EDETH,
Wife of
Jonathan Nutting,
died
July 28, 1850,
Æt. 78.

[*Willow Tree.*]

WILLIAM
Son of James R. &
Nancy A. McDaniel
died
Sept. 2, 1850,
Æt. 2 ys. 2 ms.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MARY JANE
Moncrieff
DIED
Sept. 27, 1850,
Aged 49.

1851

[*Monument.* *Willow Tree and Urn.* *Monument.*]

NATHAN AMES
DIED
Mar. 22, 1851,
Æt. 87.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MR. SAMUEL
ROCKWOOD
DIED
May 10, 1851,
Æt. 69.

The son of SAMUEL and LUCY (HUBBARD) ROCKWOOD, born November 19, 1781; he married, November 19, 1818, for his first wife, ANNA HOUGHTON, and March 12, 1840, for his second wife, LUCY WESTON, of Townsend.

BETSEY WYMAN,

DIED
June 21, 1851,
Aged 20 yrs. 8 mo.

*Farewell dear child
Thy days on earth are over
When the toïles of life are past
May we meet with you at last.*

1852

[Book and Index Hand.]

MARTHA B. SMITH,
died April 20, 1852,
aged 65 y'rs.

*I am the resurrection and the life;
he that believeth in me, though he were
dead yet shall he live.*

[Willow Tree.]

MARET BURGESS

DIED

Sept. 9, 1852,
Æt. 56 y'rs.
& 6 m's.

In memory of

REV.

WILLIAM GRAGG

who died Nov. 19, 1852,

Æt. 66.

Also his wife

MARY P. GRAGG

who died Nov. 29, 1852

Æt. 65.

*No terror on their brows was seen,
Their minds were peaceful and serene,
Their Saviour's smile dispelled the gloom,
And smoothed their passage to the tomb.*

The son of THOMAS and EUNICE (LAKIN) GRAGG, born September 22, 1786, at Groton; he married, January 29, 1833, MARY POLLARD, of Bedford, and at one time was settled as a minister at Windham, Maine. He was a graduate of Harvard College in the class of 1820.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MRS. LUCY,
wife of
Mr. Joseph Sawtell
 DIED

Nov. 23, 1852,
 Æt. 78.

Friends nor physicians could not save
This mortal body from the grave;
Nor can the grave confine it here
When Christ doth call it to appear.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MISS
 MARY CROUCH
 died

June 10, 1853,
 Aged 60 yrs.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

NANCY A.
wife of
James R. McDaniel
 died

Nov. 18, 1853,
 Æt. 30 ys. 7 ms.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

JOHN BOIT
 died Nov. 23, 1853
 Aged 86 y'rs.

JOHN BOIT JR.
 died June 16, 1871,
 Aged 66 y'rs.
God is love.

1853

1854

REBECCA SARAH,
wife of

Henry Archibald

Died June 13, 1854

Æt. 35 yrs.

MARGARET AGNES

Died Aug. 12, 1852,

Æt. 6 yrs.

HENRY ADAMS,

Died Mar. 20,

Æt. 3 mos.

*Children of Henry &
Rebecca S. Archibald.*

RICHARD BLOOD

DIED

Oct. 24, 1854,

Æt. 58.

Parted below



united above

SUSAN M.

wife of

John A. Hunt,

died Nov. 22, 1854,

aged 29 y'rs.

*"Still her memory sweetly lingers,
Still we listen for her song;
But no more that form shall greet us,
Seated with the fireside throng.
Weep not that the link is severed,
Soon the chain will perfect be,
And the hearts once more united,
When the fettered soul is free."*

1855

[West Side.]

[A MONUMENT.]

JONATHAN LORING

DIED

July 12, 1855,

Æt. 82 yrs.

MARY T.

his wife

died Oct. 23, 1865,

Æt. 89 yrs.

[South Side.]

NEHEMIAH TROWBRIDGE

Son of

Rev. Caleb Trowbridge

died Jan. 11, 1796,

Æt. 73 yrs.

[East Side.]

ABIGAIL TROWBRIDGE

wife of

Nehemiah Trowbridge

died Oct. 14, 1811,

Æt. 78 yrs.

*Thrice happy shades, now freed from cares,
 Thy mortal frame at rest;
 Secure from pain, from grief and fears,
 With kindred souls thou'rt blest.*

The date of Mrs. TROWBRIDGE's death, as given on the east side of the monument, is wrong; she died in the year 1814. See page 144.

1856

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MRS. MARTHA,
wife of Asa Lewis,
 died

Feb. 4, 1856,
 Æt. 70.

*The saints, who now in Jesus sleep,
 His own almighty power shall keep,
 Till dawns the bright illustrious day,
 When death itself shall die away.
 My soul, my body I will trust,
 With him who numbers every dust;
 My Saviour faithfully will keep
 His own — their death, is but a sleep.*

FREDERICK ADAMS
 died Apr. 13, 1856,
 Aged 49.

ELIZA,
his wife
 died 1839,
 Aged 27.

*Farewell dear parents thou art
 gone to rest.*

1857

AARON COREY

DIED

Mar. 15, 1857,
 Æt. 73.

The son of NATHAN and MARY (GREEN) COREY; he married ELIZABETH BENNETT. During many years he was the driver of a stage-coach running between Boston and Groton.

MERRIC LEWIS

Born July 25, 1795,

Died April 23, 1857,

Æ. 61 ys. 9 ms.

Under neath this sod, rests,

"An honest man,

The noblest work of God."

The son of JAMES and LUCY (CROSBY) LEWIS, and a native of Billerica.

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

MR.

BENJAMIN BANCROFT

died

Sept. 16, 1857,

Æt. 69.

The son of WILLIAM and AGNES (EDES) BANCROFT.

1858

FLORA M.

dau. of H. L. &

Martha Stebbins,

died

Jan. 24, 1858,

Æt. 6 y'rs. 2 Mos.

Rest lovely child early blest,

God called thee home he

thought it best

NOAH SHATTUCK

DIED 1858.

Aged 86 y'rs.

1859

[Willow Tree and Urn.]

ABIJAH
NUTTING
DIED
July 16, 1859,
Æt. 93.

[Monument. Willow Tree and Urn. Monument.]

LUCY,
Wife of
THOMAS DODGE,
DIED
Oct. 4, 1859,
Æt. 82.



DR. AARON ANDREW,
Died Dec. 12, 1859,
Aged 68 yrs.

MARY His Wife
Died Nov. 18, 1871,
Aged 75 yrs.

Also their Dau.

MARY,
Died Feb. 15, 1845,
Aged 13 yrs.

*We have loved thee on Earth.
May we meet thee in Heaven.*

1860

[*West Side.*]

[A MONUMENT.]

DICKSON

WALTER DICKSON

died

Jan. 21, 1860,

Æt. 61.

A Missionary in Palestine
for five years.

[*North Side.*]

FRED. W. STEINBECK

killed by Arabs

in Jaffa, Palestine

Jan. 12, 1858,

Æt. 36.

MARY E.

his wife,

dau^r. of Walter &

Sarah Dickson,

died Dec. 10, 1867,

Æt. 34.

WALTER DICKSON was the son of WALTER and ANNA (TUFTS) DICKSON, and was born March 15, 1799, at Groton. His father removed to this town from Menotomy, since West Cambridge, and now Arlington. WALTER, the son, was a farmer until October, 1853, when he left Groton to work as an independent missionary in Palestine. In January, 1858, Mr. DICKSON's house at Jaffa was attacked by Arabs, and he himself severely wounded; his son-in-law, STEINBECK, was killed at the same time. He came back to this country in the following September.

ABIGAIL P. WOODS.

Widow of

JOSEPH WOODS.

died May 8, 1860.

aged 67, yrs. 5, mos.

SOPHIA,
wife of
PHINEAS NUTTING,
DIED
July 15, 1860,
Aged 77.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

LOVINA P.
wife of
Robert M. Cooper,
and daughter of
Capt. Thomas and
Lovina Farnsworth
died Aug. 18, 1860,
Æt. 35.

ELIZABETH,
Wife of
AARON COREY,
DIED
Sept. 11, 1860,
Æt. 77.

1861

EBEN'R. C. ARCHIBALD
DIED
Oct. 20. 1861.
Æt. 22 yrs.

1863

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

NABBY STANLEY
DIED
Feb. 22, 1863,
Æt. 83 ys. 8 ms.

THOMAS DODGE

DIED

March 1, 1863,

Æt. 81 y's 6 mo.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

SARAH PIERCE,

wife of

Aaron Brown,

died

June 13, 1863,

Æt. 77.

A Mother in Israel.

The daughter of STEPHEN and ABIGAIL (PRESCOTT) PIERCE,
born May 25, 1786.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

JOSIAH EDWIN,

Son of John &

Martha Smith,

died

Aug. 3, 1863 ;

Æt. 19 ys.

"So fades the lovely blooming flower."

[*Urn. Willow Tree and Urn. Urn.*]

MARY HEMENWAY

died

Oct. 9, 1863,

Æt. 75.

*Farewell, ye friends, whose tender care
Has long engaged my love ;
Your fond embrace I now exchange
For better friends above.*

ANNA SHATTUCK

DIED 1863.

Aged 85 y'rs.

1865

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

LYDIA

wife of

Ephraim Heald

and Daugh. of Jacob

and Mary Patch,

Died March 27, 1865,

Aged 83 ys. 2 ms.

1867

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

POLLY,

wife of Capt.

Thomas Blood,

DIED

Feb. 3, 1867,

Æt. 82.

Blessed are the dead

which die in the Lord.

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

AGNESS S.

BANCROFT

DIED

Oct. 10, 1867,

Æt. 84.

The daughter of WILLIAM and AGNES (EDES) BANCROFT.

LUTHER HARTWELL

DIED

Oct. 15, 1867,

Aged 76 yrs. & 9 ms.

MARY,
wife of John Searles,
formerly wife of
Ebenezer L. Blood,

DIED

Nov. 9, 1867,
Aged 83 yrs. 8 ms.

FANNIE,
 wife of
 John M. E. Gilson
 Died Dec. 1, 1867,
 Æt. 55 yrs. 6 ms.

FRANCIS, their son
 Died Oct. 29, 1849,
 Æt. 1 yr. 6 ms &
 18 ds.

1869

DIADAMA,
Wife of Aaron Corey Jr.

DIED

Feb. 13, 1869,
 Aged 62 yrs.

WILLIAM KEMP
 POLLY KEMP
 his wife
 died March 1, 1869,
 Aged 80.

"Live, so as to meet me in Heaven."

POLLY was the daughter of CALEB and ELIZABETH (FARNSWORTH) BLOOD; her husband, aged 88, is still alive.

1870

ISAAC BULLARD

DIED IN ACTON MASS.

July 28, 1870,

AGED 79 YRS. 9 MOS.

He was for many years — say from 1817 to 1830 — the driver of one of the stage-coaches running between Boston and Groton.

CLARISSA,

wife of John Fletcher,

DIED

Aug. 8, 1870,

Aged 60 y'rs. 4 ms.

Gone to rest.

1872

SUSANNAH T. GEORGE

DIED

Nov. 10, 1872,

Æt. 65 yrs. 3 weeks.

*My feet are wearied and my hands are tired —**My soul oppressed ;**And with desire have I long desired**Rest — only Rest.*

1873

LYDIA YOUNG

DIED

Jan. 23, 1873,

Aged 72 y'rs,

& 10 mo's.

*"Blessed are the dead that die
in the Lord."*

1874

[*Willow Tree and Urn.*]

MIRANDA

wife of

MARET BURGESS,

Died Jan. 26, 1874,

Æt. 74 yrs. 8 ms.

1875

LYDIA W.

wife of

RICHARD BLOOD,

died

March 26, 1875,

Æt. 77.

JAMES H. BURGESS

Died

May 10, 1875,

Æt. 69.

*Stop, stop, young friends as you pass by,
As you are now so once was I;
As I am now so you must be,
Prepare for Death and follow me.*

1877

NANCY LAWTON,

widow of

LUTHER DAVIS,

died

May 2, 1877,

Aged 82 yrs. 2 mos.

& 17 ds.



T O M B S.

THE earliest reference in the town records to any tombs is found in the warrant for the meeting held April 6, 1807, and is as follows:—

“ARTICLE 3.

“3. To grant license if the town see cause, unto Hon. James Prescott Esq. Oliver Prescott James Brazer Samuel Lawrence and Thomas Gardner Esq^{rs} and Rev. Daniel Chaplin to erect and build tombs, family Vaults, or depositories of such dimensions, and of such construction, and in such manner as they, or either of them shall determine, with the priviledges sacred to the sanctuary of the Dead, at the Southeasterly corner of the common burial ground, or grave yard in Groton, where former graves, vaults, or depositories will not be disturbed.”

The subject was duly considered at the meeting, when it was

“Voted to grant the license prayed for, by Hon. James Prescott Esq. & others, in the third Article, provided, that not more than ten feet square in the clear, be improved by any one of the petitioners, for the purposes mentioned in this Article.”

In the warrant for the town meeting, held May 4, 1807, the third article is

“To see if they will grant license to Walter Dickson, to erect & build a tomb, under similar restrictions & with like priviledges as they voted at April meeting in favor of the Hon. James Prescott Esq. & others.”

The meeting was duly held, when it was

“Voted that be granted Walter Dickson to erect & build a tomb &c. as requested.”

A few years later — May 4, 1812 — the town

“Voted that Ezra & Abel Farnsworth have leave to build a tomb in the public burying ground for their family use, provided they do not interfere with appropriated ground, under the inspection of the Selectmen.”

These tombs, however, do not appear to have been built till the year 1818, which date they all bear. They have recently been filled up, and hereafter are to be discontinued as places of burial. The representatives of the original owners, for the most part, have lots in the new cemetery. The following is a list of the names, cut in the granite facings of the tombs : —

JAMES PRESCOTT
1818.

LUTHER LAWRENCE.
1818.

[This stone within a few years has been taken away.]

REV.
DANIEL CHAPLIN
1818.

WALTER DICKSON
1818

STUART J. PARK
1818

EZRA AND
ABEL FARNSWORTH
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JAMES BRAZER
AND
CALEB BUTLER
1818

In the year 1822, ten or twelve tombs were built on the north side of the Burying Ground, although no mention is made in the town records of any vote on the subject. During a few subsequent years, other tombs were built, most of them by Joseph Blood, a stone mason, although no special permission — except in a very few instances — was given by the town. At the meeting held in March, 1832, the whole subject relating to tombs was placed under the control of the selectmen. It has remained in their hands ever since, although no new tomb has been constructed for a long time. When the wall around the ground was relaid in the year 1872, these tombs, with a few exceptions, were filled up, and no further interments are to be made in them. Such as were not filled up, are indicated by an asterisk [*] in the margin.

Beginning at the north-west corner, near the Baptist Church, the following is a list, in regular order, of the names cut in the stone facings:—

J. POLLARD.
Wd. S. LAWRENCE.
1841.

N. MUNROE.
1822.

ISAIAH HALL &.
DAVID FLETCHER.
1822,

J. F. HALL
AND
B. MOORS,
—

*

W. LIVERMORE
& B. AMES.
1822.
—

*

J. L. & I. PARKER.
1822.
—

JAMES FARNSWORTH.
1822.
—

ZECHARIAH FITCH.
1822.
—

A. LEWIS,
1822.
—

J. BLOOD
& CAPELL,
1822.
—

G. BRIGHAM,
& J. PEABODY,
1822.
—

S. O. ROW,
1822.
—

D. & W. CHILD

1825.

SAMUEL HARTWELL

&

JEREMIAH KILBURN,

1825.

SAMSON

WOODS,

1825.

N. TARBELL,

1825.

P. GRAVES,

1826.

JESSE PARKER,

1826.

JACOB WILLIAMS,

1828.

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JONAS &

JOSHUA EATON,

1828.

C. CHILD &
K. DANFORTH.
1828.
—

JOSIAH CLARK
1828.
—

E. NUTTING.
1828.
—

DANIEL SHATTUCK.
1830
—

J. & L & J. GILLSON
1831
—

ASA LAWRENCE
1832
—

OLIVER GRAGG,
1832.
—

J. H. & J. LORING,
1832.
—

LEVI. STONE.
1832
—

ABEL TARBELL'S TOMB.

*

ABEL TARBELL

Died Oct. 19, 1860, Æt. 86 ys. 1 mo. 24 ds.

Pamela Tarbell, wife of

ABEL TARBELL

Died Aug. 27, 1849. Æt. 66

Abel Harkness Tarbell

Died June 18, 1835, Æt. 19.

 CALVIN. HUBBARD

ABEL. HARTWELL

1832.

Samuel Dana's Tomb.

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SAMUEL DANA, died Nov. 20, 1835; Æ. 68.

REBECCA, *his wife*, died May 11, 1834; Æ. 54.CHARLES, *their Son*, was drowned July 31,1819; Æ. 20 ys. GEORGE, *their Son*, died

April 12. 1804; Æ. 1 yr. & 6 ms.

 N. SAWTELL. &

A. STONE.

1836.

 J. FITCH & L. PARKER'S
TOMB 1836.

 J. BROWN, &

A. H. WILDER

1837

 SAMUEL PIERCE.

*

1837

J. A. BLOOD.
J. M^{re} GILSON.

- * The Family Tomb of WILLIAM PARKER.
WILLIAM PARKER, died Jan. 9, 1833, aged 71.
HENRY PARKER, died May 1824, aged 36.
JANE PARKER, drowned Sept. 13, 1826, aged 26.
LOUISA GAGE, died Sept. 12, 1838, aged 34.
ADDISON PARKER, died March 4, 1839, aged 29.
DR. AARON ANDREW, died Dec. 12, 1859, aged 68.
DAVID A. PATCH, died Sept. 25, 1839, aged 57.
SUSANNAH, his wife, died June 9, 1865, aged 80 y. 9 m.
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J. HOAR.
1839.

EDMUND TARBELL.

J. A. FULLICK.
D. BROOKS.

* F. A. BLOOD

* SILVESTER
JACOBS TOMB
1839.

ASA TARBELL.
B. RUSSELL.

T. BLOOD.
J. SAWTELL.



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APPENDIX.

DURING many years Groton was a frontier town, situated relatively a long distance from Boston. At that period there were but few settlements in the colony, and the younger generations were wont to live near the home of their childhood. The population of the town, through the first century of its existence, was made up largely of the descendants of its founders and early settlers. In this Appendix, I purpose to give a short account of some of the families living here during that time, including a brief notice of the petitioners for the plantation of Groton, and of a few other persons connected with the history of the town. It will be seen that a considerable number of them came from Watertown and Lynn.

Bancroft. Benjamin Bancroft, the son of Thomas, of Reading, is the ancestor of the families of this name, living in Groton and its vicinity. He married Anna, daughter of John and Anna (Tarbell) Lawrence, of Lexington, and had nine children. He lived for a while at Charlestown, but afterward, about the year 1728, removed to Groton, where he died July 21, 1787, aged 86 years, and his widow also, April 3, 1790, aged 87 years. He was a tanner by trade, and lived a short distance south of the Unitarian Church, on the east side of the Great Road. His tannery was on the opposite side of the way. The stone powder magazine, used by the State during the Revolution, was situated on his land.

Benjamin, the eldest child, followed the occupation of his father, and lived on the old homestead. He was town treasurer and a deacon of the church, besides holding other positions of trust. He

married Alice, daughter of William and Mary (Farnsworth) Tarbell, and had eight children. His wife died November 29, 1781, aged 51 years, and he died October 27, 1804, aged 80 years.

Edmund, the second child, removed to that part of Groton, now Pepperell, where he carried on farming. He was town treasurer of Pepperell for twenty years, and a representative in the General Court. He married, December 30, 1747, for his first wife, Elizabeth Atherton, of Harvard, who died October 6, 1755, and he married, in the year 1758, for his second wife, Mrs. Rachel (Howard) Barron, widow of Jonathan Barron and daughter of Samuel Howard, of Chelmsford. She died June 3, 1784, aged 54 years, and he married, for the third time, Mrs. Phebe (Lawrence) Bancroft, widow of Jonathan Bancroft, of Salem, and daughter of Colonel William and Susanna (Prescott) Lawrence, of Groton. Edmund died October 25, 1806, aged 79 years, and his widow, November 21, 1808, aged 74 years. He had four children by his first marriage, and eight by his second. Dr. Amos Bancroft, a graduate of Harvard College in the class of 1791, and for many years a distinguished physician of Groton, was a son of the second wife.

Deacon Benjamin and Edmund were the only sons of Benjamin Bancroft who grew up to manhood.

Barron. Two brothers of this name, sons of Ellis and [Grace?] Barron, of Watertown, were original proprietors of Groton; Ellis, the elder brother, owning a fifteen-acre right, and John, the other, a seven-acre right. Ellis married Hannah, widow of Timothy Hawkins, of Watertown, and had several children, before coming to Groton, where others were born. John also had a family, but now for a long time there has been no representative of the name in the town. Elias Barron, of Groton, was in Captain Lovewell's fight, May 8, 1725, at Pigwacket, where he was wounded and afterward lost. The sum of £30 was allowed his family, by the General Court, June 17, 1725; and according to the record in the printed "Journal," of December 21, 1726, it appears that his widow's name was Priscilla.

Samuel Barron left a small bequest to the town, which still keeps his name in grateful remembrance. The following is an extract from his will, dated February 5, 1753:—

"My Will and plesuer is that the first Church of Christ in Groton should have sum thing oute of my Estate for the poore of saied Church and I do hereby

Give to the saied Church the sum of thirteen pounds five shillings and four pence Lawfull money to be paied to the saied Church oute of my Estate by my Executer within one year next after my decease to be Lett oute to Interest by the saied Church and the Interest to be appropriated for the Bennefit of the poore of saied Church as the Church shall order but the princaple never to be deminished."

Blood. Three of the petitioners for the plantation of Groton, viz., Richard, John, and Robert, bore this name, and all three were sons of James and Ellen Blood, of Concord. Another brother, James, was an early proprietor of the town. Richard was the only one of these brothers that lived in Groton, and he is the ancestor of most of the name in this neighborhood. He was the largest proprietor in the town, owning a sixty-acre right, and was one of the first board of selectmen chosen by the inhabitants, and also town clerk in the year 1668. He married Isabel —, and had Mary, who died April 19, 1662; James, who was killed by the Indians, September 13, 1692; Nathaniel, who married, June 13, 1670, Hannah, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Long) Parker; Elizabeth, who married, December 1, 1686, Thomas Tarbell, the third of the name in Groton; and Joseph, who was an original proprietor of the town. Richard, the father, lived in the district called "Nod," and died December 7, 1683.

Bridge. The name of London Bridge will have more interest for the inhabitants of Groton, when it is known that he was a resident of the town, and that he remembered it in his will. This instrument, bearing date May 23, 1775, is on file in the Middlesex Probate Office at East Cambridge, and was presented for probate, January 25, 1776. The following are extracts from it: —

"I do hereby give and Bequeath the s^d sum of Thirteen pounds six shillings and eight pence to the Church of Christ in Groton afores^d the Interest of which Sum is to be annually given to the poor of s^d Chh. at the Discretion of their Com^{rs}." . . .

He then makes provision for the payment of his debts and a small bequest to Captain Henry Farwell, and adds: —

"and if that should not be sufficient for those purposes my will is that my Executer take so much out of the above given to the Chh. as to Defray the Charges Aboves^d and the Remainder be applyed by the Chh. in manner as Aboves^d for their poor."

Cooper. Timothy Cooper was one of the original petitioners for the plantation of Groton, and his name appears in the first list of selectmen, appointed by the General Court. He married Sarah, daughter of Joseph and Hester (Pierce) Morse, of Watertown, and had four children. In the inventory of his estate, on file in the Middlesex Probate Office at East Cambridge, it is recorded that he was "Sleaine by the Indeins the Second day of march 1675-6." This is the date of the first attack on the town in King Philip's War.



Davis. Dolor Davis was a petitioner for the plantation of Groton, and one of the first board of selectmen appointed by the General Court. He came to this country from England, about the year 1640, and lived for a while at Barnstable. He is the ancestor of many of the name now living in Middlesex and Worcester counties. He married Margery, sister of Major Simon Willard, and at one time was a resident of Concord. He probably lived here but a short time; he died at Barnstable in the year 1673.

Farnsworth. Matthias Farnsworth, the progenitor of the numerous families in Groton bearing this name, came from Lynn. He was an original proprietor of the town, and owned a twenty-acre right. His farm was situated on both sides of the road leading to Harvard, a little south of James's brook, more than a mile from the village. He was living at Lynn in the year 1657, and at Groton in 1664, though he may have been a resident of each place earlier than these respective dates. He died in the latter part of the year 1689, aged 77 years. The following is a copy of his will, on file in the Middlesex Probate Office at East Cambridge:—

Groton Jenewarey 15th: 1688-9 and in the 4 yere of the Rain of King Jams the sacond I mathyas farnworth sen of groton in the county of midlsix in new ingland aged about 77 yers being wall considrat and of sound and parfit Judgment and understanding thanks be to god for it I being sensabl of my many frailtyes & unsartanty of my natueral lif and knowing what disaduantag many times hapens for want of a Right sating the hous in order being desiras to ackt and satl things that consarns me doe mak conshans and doe daclare this prasant instrement to be my last will & tastement in manar and form as foloweth making uoyd all formar wills ather by word or dead but first I Commit my soul to all myty god my Creater hoping I shal Rasaue full pardon of all my sins throw Jasus Christ and I commit my bodey to the earth from whans it was taken to be beured in such deasant manar as my exsecters shall see meet and

1. first to the distrebiting my eastat I doe giue to my beloued wif so long as she liues a widow won third of my whol astat and the moueabls within the hous I
2. doe laue to hur to daspose as shee pleases and sacondly I doe giue to my son mathyas farnworth for his full porshan that fue akker Right which his deed spasefyes and a peese of madow called by the name of half moon madow and twanty akekens of land lying neer a plase called by the nam of Prascots olde mill and this to be counted to be his full porshan unlass he meets with malistation by any ralations of his and if so then I will and giue to my son mathyas my hom stall that I now dwell upon with hous & barn and that hom stall that my son mathyas now liues on to Ratur in seed thare of
3. and thirdly I giue to my son John farnworth that fue akar Right that his deed spasefyes and tan shilins more to be Payed of the astat for his full porshan
4. fourthly I giue to my son bangeman farnworth that part of my land lying on the out sid of my hom stall fans at the lower end of the lot and twanty akekens at the plas neer prescotts old mill and six akkers of madow lying at south madow and this for his porshan
5. fiftly for my son samewall & Jonathan farnworth I doe giue the Rast of my land and madow that is undasposed on lying at the old mill for thare porshan

and I giue my daughter Robison won cow and to my daughter thacher I giue twenty shilins and to my daughter Stoon won cow and twanty shilins and to my daughter abigall farnworth twalue pound for her porshan and as to the Rast of my eastat undasposed of I leaue in the hand of my exsectters to daspose of to my wif or children as thay think to be most Rason I mak Chois of my son mathyas farnworth with nathanil lawrins san & Jonas prescott for exsackters this taken from his own mouth syned and sealed in the prasants of us

his
mathyas  farnworth sen
mark
nathannil lawrance
Jonas Prescott
his
Nicklas  huchins
mark

also I giue my loam & tacklins for waring to my son mathyas farnworth
X^{br}. 17. 1689 Charlestowne

Nathanⁿ Larrance & Jonas Prescott appearing in Court made oath yt they were p^rsent when Mathias ffarnworth Deced signed sealed and published this as his last will & Testament, and y^a he was of sound judgment and of disposing minde when he did y^e same and yt they sett theire hands there to as witnesses wth Nicolas Hutchins

as att.

Samⁿ. Phipps Cler

His wife's name was Mary, and they had ten children. The list of them given below is compiled from different sources. It is probable that his "daughter Robison" was the wife of James Robertson, or Robinson; and in that case, her name was Eliza-

beth, and probably she was born in England. James Robertson, an original proprietor of the town, married his wife, January 16, 1667, and she died December 22, 1729, aged 82 years. I am not sure about the order of the births of his children, but I suggest the following: Elizabeth [?], who probably married James Robertson; Joseph, born November 17, 1657, at Lynn, and died February 20, 1686-7; Mary, born October 11, 1660, at Lynn, and married, April 11, 1676, Samuel Thatcher, of Watertown; Matthias, born at Groton; John, who married, December 8, 1686, Hannah, daughter of John and Sarah (Eliot) Aldis, of Dedham, and had nine children; Benjamin, who married Mary, daughter of Jonas and Mary (Loker) Prescott, and had ten children; Samuel, who married, December 12, 1706, widow Mary (Whitcomb) Willard, and had three children; Abigail, born January 17, 1671, and probably married John Hutchins, of Groton; Sarah [?], who perhaps married Simon Stone; and Jonathan, born June 1, 1675, married Ruth ———, and had fourteen children.

John, one of the sons named above, was an influential man in all town affairs. He was an ensign in the militia, a selectman, a representative to the General Court from the year 1708 to 1714 inclusive, excepting 1711, and a deacon in the church. In the autumn of 1711, he was in command of one of the eighteen garrisons in the town. The name of Matthias Farnsworth, of Groton, appears in a list of prisoners in the hands of the French and Indians in Canada, March 5, 1710-11, though there is nothing in the record to show when he was captured. He was probably the son of Matthias, Jr., and, if so, he was a young man about twenty years old at the date of the list.

The first settlement of Charlestown, New Hampshire, — then known as Number 4, — was made in the year 1740, by three brothers, Samuel, David, and Stephen Farnsworth, natives of Groton. They all became leading men in the town, and distinguished themselves on several occasions in fights with the Indians. Samuel Farnsworth, the eldest brother, was killed in a skirmish, May 2, 1746; David was taken prisoner by a party of Indians, April 20, 1757, and carried to Canada. He managed to escape, and reached home, probably soon after his capture. Stephen, the youngest brother, also had his bitter experience with the savages. He was captured April 19, 1746, and taken to Montreal, where he remained seventeen months, when he was

exchanged. His health was so broken down by the hardships of his captivity that he never fully regained it. He died September 6, 1771, leaving behind him the example of a brave man and a useful citizen.

Farrington. Matthew Farrington was one of the petitioners for the plantation of Groton, and a member of the first board of selectmen appointed by the General Court. He was a son of Edmund Farrington, of Lynn, and was born in England.

Gilson. Joseph Gilson was one of the original proprietors of the town, and owned a nine-acre right. He married, November 18, 1660, Mary Caper, at Chelmsford, and removed from that town to Groton before March 5, 1665-6. He died in the summer of 1676, at Concord, where he went, probably, when Groton was deserted by its inhabitants. An inventory of his estate is on file in the Middlesex Probate Office at East Cambridge. He left five children, viz., Mary, born November 17, 1662, at Chelmsford; Timothy; Joseph, born March 8, 1666-7, at Groton, married twice, and had five children by each wife; Sarah, born June 25, 1669, at Groton; and John, born April 23, 1674, at Groton, married Sarah —, and had five children. Both Joseph and John lived and died at Groton, and John's widow married, May 17, 1709, for her second husband, Richard Warner, by whom she had four children. Joseph Gilson, a grandson of the original proprietor, was one of the seven Groton men with Captain Lovewell in his fight at Pigwacket, and the only one of the seven who escaped unhurt. One Joseph Gilson of Groton, presented a petition to the General Court, June 11, 1760, "representing his Services and Sufferings, for his Country praying a Compensation."

Haven. Richard Haven was one of the petitioners for the plantation of Groton. He was living in Lynn as early as the year 1645, and is said to have come from the west of England. His will was proved June 14, 1703.

Hinckley. Thomas Hinckley, one of the selectmen first appointed by the General Court, was probably a son of Samuel Hinckley, of Scituate, and afterward of Barnstable. If this sup-

position be correct, he was the Governor of Plymouth Colony from the year 1681 to 1692.

Lakin. William Lakin, the ancestor of the numerous families of this name that have lived at Groton, died December 10, 1672, at the advanced age of 90 or 91 years. He was born in England, and came to this country with his daughter-in-law and her two sons, William and John Lakin. Mr. Butler, in his excellent "History," (page 273), says that the family came from Redington, but as there is no such place in England, perhaps the parish of Ridlington is meant. They early settled at Reading, where the name was sometimes spelled Laukin. The two brothers were original proprietors of Groton, each owning a twenty-acre right.

William Lakin married Lydia, daughter of Abraham Brown, of Watertown, and had Lydia, born 1650; Mary, born 1652; William, born May 6, 1655; John, born January 3, 1658; Jonathan, born June 28, 1661; Abraham, born January 10, 1664; William, born May, 1665; Abraham, born September 11, 1667; and Eliab, born January 8, 1669. The first five were born at Reading, and the others at Groton.

John Lakin married Mary —, and had the following children, born at Groton, on the dates set against their respective names: Sarah, February 4, 1661-2; William, May 12, 1664; Abigail, March 13, 1666-7; Joseph, April 14, 1670; Benjamin, November 6, 1672; and Josiah, September 14, 1675.

William Lakin was appointed October 15, 1673, Lieutenant of the military company of the town, and his brother John was confirmed by the Governor and Council, July 13, 1689, as Ensign of the same company, though they may have acted as officers before these dates.

The murderous assault made by the Indians on the town, July 27, 1694, was begun at the house of Lieutenant William Lakin, who lived somewhere in the neighborhood of Chicopee Row. Isaac Lakin, a grandson of William, was wounded in Lovewell's fight with the Indians.

The following entry is found in the printed "Journal" of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, for January 10, 1760:—

"A Petition of *Oliver Laken* of *Groton*, in the County of *Middlesex*, shewing, that he was a Soldier in the Pay of the Province *Anno* 1758, and was on the 20th Day of *July* the same Year, Captivated by the Indian Enemy, suffered many &

great Hardships, and was obliged to borrow a Sum of Money to purchase his Freedom from Captivity; he therefore prays he may be allowed the Sum of Money he borrowed; also the Charges of his Passage home, and a further Allowance for his Loss of Time and Sufferings &c."

The answer to this petition is found in the proceedings of January 12, and is as follows:—

"The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of *Oliver Lakin*, Reported thereon.

"Read and accepted in Part, *viz. Resolved*. That the Sum of *eight Pounds*, be allowed and paid out of the public Treasury to *William Lawrence*, Esq; for the Use of the Petitioner, in full Consideration for his Services and Sufferings therein mentioned.

"Sent up for Concurrence."

The petitioner was a son of William and Miriam Lakin, and a great-grandson of Ensign John Lakin.

Lawrence. The ancestor of this numerous family was John Lawrence, who was born at Wisset, England, where he was baptized October 8, 1609. He married Elizabeth —, and had thirteen children, all with one exception born at Watertown, where he settled on coming to this country. His daughter Elizabeth was born in Boston. The date and the place of his marriage are not known. He was an original proprietor of Groton, owning a twenty-acre right; two of his sons were also original proprietors, Nathaniel having a ten-acre right, and Joseph a five-acre right. His house and land at Watertown were sold about the year 1662, and in the same year the name is found in the Groton records. John's wife, Elizabeth, died August 29, 1663, at Groton, and he married, November 2, 1664, for his second wife, Susanna, daughter of William Batchelder, of Charlestown, by whom he had two daughters. John died here July 11, 1667, and his widow, July 8, 1668, at Charlestown. His second son, Nathaniel, is represented in this neighborhood at the present time by numerous descendants. He held various offices in the church and town, and was one of the first representatives to the General Court, under the charter of William and Mary, in the year 1693. He married, first, March 13, 1660-1, Sarah, daughter of John and Hannah Morse, of Dedham, and lived for a while at Sudbury, before coming to Groton. His wife died August 29, 1683, and he married, secondly, Hannah —. In advanced life he removed to that part of Cam-

bridge now Lexington, where one of his sons was living, and here he died March 12, 1746, leaving a large family. Subsequently three of his grandchildren, Thomas, William, and Amos, came from Lexington to Groton to live. Two other of John's sons, Peleg and Enosh, lived at Groton, and had families. Enosh was wounded by the Indians, probably in the attack of July 27, 1694. He afterward represented in a petition to the Governor and Council that he was a very poor man by reason of wounds received in his hands, which almost wholly disabled him from earning a livelihood for himself and family. In consequence of these representations, he was allowed exemption from taxes, October 17, 1702, and an annual pension of three pounds during life. The name Enosh is a variation from Enos, and not from Enoch, with which it is frequently confounded. This will be seen by consulting the Geneva version of the Bible, long used in preference to King James's version, by the New England men, and out of which Enosh Lawrence was undoubtedly named. In this, "Enosh" will be found where the authorized version has "Enos," in Genesis v. 6, 7, 9-11.

Longley. William Longley was among the earliest settlers of the town, and was the owner of a thirty-acre right. He was the son of Richard Longley, of Lynn, where in the town records the name is sometimes spelled Langley. He had been one of the selectmen of Lynn, and was clerk of the writs in the year 1655. He removed, about the year 1660, to Groton, where he was one of the selectmen in the year 1665, and town clerk in 1666. He died November 29, 1680, leaving a will dated six days before his death. His widow, Joanna, afterward married Benjamin Crispe, whom she survived; she died at Charlestown in the year 1698. The following is a list of his children, though probably not in the order of their birth: John, born about 1640, married Hannah —, and had several children; Elizabeth, married, September 7, 1669, James Blood, and died about 1677, leaving two daughters, Mary and Elizabeth, who married brothers named Shattuck; Anna, or Hannah, who married, June 30, 1666, Thomas Tarbell, Jr., and had several children; Mary, who married Samuel Leaman, probably of Charlestown; Sarah, born October 15, 1660, married, June 17, 1679, Thomas Rand, of Charlestown; Lydia, who married James Nutting, and had six children; and William, who married, May 15, 1673, Lydia —. He was town clerk in the year 1687,

and from 1692 till his death in 1694. William lived on the east side of the Hollis road, about a mile from the village. A melancholy interest is connected with the site, as it was here that he and his wife, with five children, were massacred by the Indians in their assault on the town, July 27, 1694. Three more of their children, Lydia, John, and Betty, were carried off by the savages, and taken to Canada. Lydia was sold to the French, and placed in the Congregation of Notre Dame, a convent in Montreal, where she embraced the Roman Catholic faith, and died July 20, 1758, at the advanced age of 84 years. Betty died soon after her capture from hunger and exposure, and John, the third child, remained with the savages for more than four years, when he was ransomed and brought away, much against his own will. At one time during his captivity, he was on the verge of starving, when an Indian kindly gave him a dog's foot to gnaw, which for the time appeased his hunger. He was known among his captors as John Angary. After he came home, his sister Lydia wrote from Canada, urging him to abjure the Protestant religion, but he remained true to his early faith.

Their grandmother, the widow of Benjamin Crispe, April 13, 1698, made her will, which was admitted to probate on the 28th of the following December, and in it she remembered these absent children as follows : —

"I give and bequeath Vnto my three Grand-Children y^e are in Captivity if they returne Vizdt three books one of y^e a bible another a Sermon booke treating of faith and the other a psalme book."

John Longley returned about the time that his grandmother died.

In the month of July last, I was in Montreal, where I procured, through the kindness of the Mother Superior, a copy of the record from the Congregation of Notre Dame, of which the following is a translation : —

"On Tuesday, April 24, 1696, the ceremony of baptism was performed on an English girl, named Lydia Longley, who was born April 14, 1674, at Groton, a few miles from Boston in New England. She was the daughter of William Longley and Deliverance Crisp, both Protestants. She was captured in the month of July, 1680 [1694 ?] by the Abénaqui Indians, and has lived for the past month in the house of the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame. The godfather was M. Jacques Leber, merchant ; the godmother was Madame Marie Made-

leine Dupont, wife of M. de Maricourt, Ecuyer, Captain of a company of Marines : she named this English girl Lydia Madeleine.

[Signed]

LYDIA MADELEINE LONGLEY
MADELEINE DUPONT,
LEBER,
M. CAILLE, *acting curate*."

NOTE.—The date of capture in this record is written out in full, and the omission of one word would cause the mistake ; *i.e.*, "mil six cent quatre-vingt," omitting *quatorze*.

Martin. The name of William Martin heads the list of petitioners for the plantation of Groton. He was an original proprietor of the town, owning a twenty-acre right. He came here at an early date from Reading, where he had been one of the selectmen. He married the widow of William Lakin, Jr.,—though neither the date nor the place of marriage is known,—and he lived near Martin's Pond, which was named after him. His wife died August 14, 1669, and he died March 26, 1672, aged about 76 years. He left a will, dated twenty days before his death, in which he bequeathed ten pounds "towards purchasing a meeting house bell for the town's use." It was sixty years, however, before the town obtained the legacy, and even then only by a suit brought against one of the legatees, who had wrongfully received a portion of Martin's estate.

Moors. Abraham Moors, the progenitor of various families bearing the name in this neighborhood, came from England, near the beginning of the last century. He was a weaver by trade, and lived in the south part of the town. He married, November 21, 1717, Elizabeth Gilson, and they had six sons and three daughters. Mr. Moors died in March, 1780, aged 87 years, and his wife December 4, 1770, aged 72 years. Their youngest son, Joseph, was in active service during a part of the French War, and served with distinction as an officer in the Revolution. He filled many positions of trust and responsibility among his townsmen, and died July 25, 1820, aged 82 years.

Nutting. John Nutting, the common ancestor of the different families in Groton bearing this name, was an original proprietor of the town, and owned a seventeen-acre right. His land lay on the northerly side of James's Brook, and his house, which was one of

the earliest garrisons, stood near the present site of Liberty Hall. It was from this garrison house that the Indian chief, on the night of March 13, 1676, "did very familiarly in appearance, call out to Capt. *Parker* that was lodged in another Garrison house," situated near where Captain Asa S. Lawrence now lives.

John Nutting married, August 28, 1650, Sarah Eggleton [?], at Woburn, where a son was born, who may have been John, mentioned below, and probably other children. A daughter, Mary, was born January 16, 1656, at Chelmsford, at which place John, James, and Mary were baptized August 3, 1656; also Sarah, born January 7, 1660, and died soon afterward.

He was one of the petitioners for the town of Chelmsford, and he removed probably from that town to Groton, where three of his children were born, — Sarah, May 29, 1663; Ebenezer, October 23, 1666; and Jonathan, October 17, 1668.

Parish. John Parish was an original proprietor of the town, and owned a five-acre right. He was one of a committee with John Page and Ensign Lawrence, chosen December 23, 1683, to prove the proprietors' title to their land. In the year 1693, he represented the town in the General Court. Thomas Parish, a son of Thomas Parish, of Cambridge, and a graduate of Harvard College in the class of 1659, was living in Groton at an early date.

Parker. In the early history of Groton, this was the most numerous family in town. James Parker and Joseph Parker, probably brothers, were original proprietors, the first named owning a fifty-acre right, and the other a twenty-acre right. James was a distinguished man, and a leader in all public affairs. A sketch of his life and a copy of his will are given in Mr. Butler's "History" (pages 281–285). He was living at Woburn in the year 1640, and he married, May 23, 1643, Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Long, of Charlestown. Their children were Elizabeth, born March 12, 1645, married — Gary; Ann, born March 5, 1647; John, born February 18, 1649; Sarah, born August 29, 1650, died next year; Joseph, born, 1651; James, born April 15, 1652; Josiah, born 1655; Samuel, born 1656; Joshua, born March 13, 1658, married Abigail (Shattuck) Morse, widow of Jonathan Morse; Zechariah, born January 14, 1659; and Eleazer, born November 9, 1660. He

married, for his second wife, Mrs. Eunice (Brooks) Carter, widow of Samuel Carter, and had a daughter Sarah, who was born December 12, 1697, after the father had reached the age of 80 years. His six oldest children were born at Woburn; before coming to Groton, he lived for a while at Chelmsford, where several others were born. He died in the year 1701, aged about 84 years. James's house lot lay on both sides of the principal street in the village, just south of the small stream which to this day is called James's Brook, named after him. His house was one of the garrisons during King Philip's War, and it was with Captain Parker that the Indian chief, on the night of March 13, 1676, talked, as mentioned in Hubbard's "Narrative." In the assault made on the town, July 27, 1694, his son James and Mary, his son's wife, were killed by the Indians, and "several" of their children carried away captives. Another son, Josiah, was a captain, and served in the war against the Indians; he was in command at Groton, July 21, 1706, when Nathaniel Healy, of Newton, one of his company, was "waylaid" and slain, together with Ebenezer Seger, also of Newton, "as they were going to Meeting On the Sabbath day." A brother of Seger's was taken captive at the same time. Joseph Parker, the other original proprietor, was probably a brother of James, and the ancestor of the most numerous branches of the family in this neighborhood. He was a large landowner in Groton, Chelmsford, and Dunstable. The town's brandmark, used probably for marking cattle, was approved by the Governor and magistrates, on his petition dated May 31, 1666. He married Margaret —, and had the following children, born at Chelmsford, on the dates set against their names: Joseph, March 30, 1653; Anna, February 2, 1655, died young; Mary, October 28, 1657; John, November 4, 1660, died October 8, 1661; Anna, November 16, 1663; Sarah, November 16, 1666, died September 15, 1704. Joseph, the father, died in the year 1690, leaving a large estate. Joseph, the son, married, first, Elizabeth —, and, secondly, November 19, 1684, Hannah Blood; he had three children by his first wife, and four by his second. He died about the year 1725.

Isaac Parker, of this town, was one of the early settlers of Charlestown, New Hampshire, where he went about the year 1740. He was taken prisoner by the Indians, April 19, 1746, and remained in captivity until the following winter, when he was released.

Prescott. This is the most distinguished name in the annals of Groton, and the families bearing it have been numerous. Jonas, the progenitor, was the son of John and Mary (Platts) Prescott, and was born at Lancaster, in June, 1648. He was a blacksmith by trade, and owned the mill in the south part of Groton, now within the limits of Harvard. It is said that a grant of land made by the town, about the year 1675, when it was much in need of a blacksmith, induced him to remove nearer to the village. He built a house and shop on the lot, which was situated on the easterly side of James's Brook, perhaps a third of a mile south of Lawrence Academy. He bought lands, until he became one of the largest owners of real estate in the town. Two years ago, a piece of wall was removed, which separated a part of this lot from the highway, near where it forks from the Boston road, and which contained a stone bearing this inscription : —

I. P.
1680
Rebuilt by
O. P.
1784
Rebuilt by
S. J. Park
1841.

The initials I. P. are those of Jonas Prescott, and O. P. those of his grandson, Dr. Oliver Prescott.

Jonas married, December 14, 1672, Mary, daughter of John and Mary (Draper) Loker, of Sudbury, and they had four sons and eight daughters. Two of the sons died young, but all the other children lived to grow up and have families. The eight daughters, with one exception, married Groton men, and were blessed with a numerous offspring. Jonas filled many important positions in the town, and represented it in the General Court during the years 1699 and 1705 ; he died December 31, 1723, aged 75 years.

His youngest son, Benjamin, was a man of strong character and commanding appearance, and like his father filled many places of usefulness. He married, June 11, 1718, Abigail, daughter of the Honorable Thomas and Mary (Wilson) Oliver, of Cambridge, and

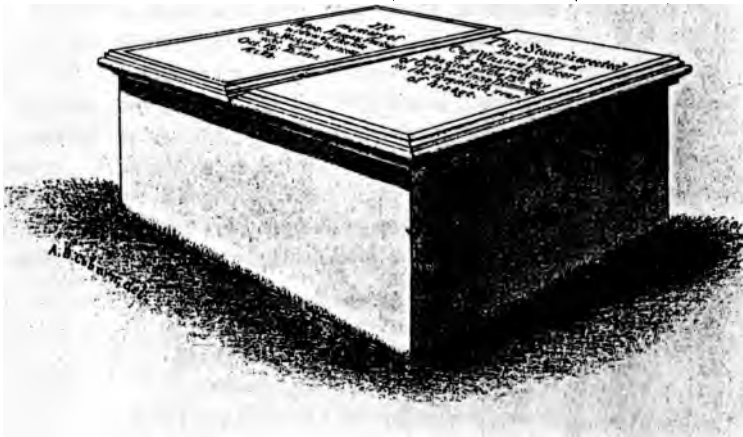
they had three sons and four daughters. He lived on the old homestead, where he died August 3, 1735, at the age of 42 years, after a short illness caused by over-exertion while haying. His three sons were all remarkable men, and exerted much influence in shaping public affairs during an important period.

James, the eldest son, represented the town in the General Court, as his father and grandfather had done before him; was a member of the Senate and of the Executive Council. At the beginning of the Revolution, he was a member of the Provincial Congress and of the Board of War, and subsequently Sheriff of Middlesex County, and a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas. He died February 15, 1800, aged 79 years.

William, the second son, settled on a large estate owned by his father, in that part of Groton called the Gore, now included in Pepperell. He was a Lieutenant in the expedition sent in the year 1755 to remove the French Neutrals from Nova Scotia, and a Colonel of Minute Men enrolled in this neighborhood in the year 1774. As commander of the American forces at the Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775, his name will never be forgotten. In subsequent years, at various times he filled the offices of town clerk, selectman, and representative in the General Court. He was the father of William Prescott, the lawyer and jurist, and the grandfather of William H. Prescott, the distinguished historian. He died October 13, 1795, aged 69 years, and was buried at Pepperell; his widow died October 21, 1821, at the advanced age of 88 years.

On the opposite page is a representation of the monument in the Pepperell Burying Ground, erected to their memory. It consists of a thick slate slab, resting on a solid granite foundation.

Oliver, the third and youngest son, graduated at Harvard College, in the class of 1750, and studied the profession of medicine, in which he afterward had a wide reputation and an extensive practice. He was town clerk during thirteen years, and selectman during thirty-two years. Before the Revolution, he held the respective offices of Major, Lieutenant-colonel, Colonel, and General, in the militia. Subsequently, in the year 1778, he was appointed third Major General of the militia, and in 1781 second Major General; but soon afterward he resigned the position, on account of ill health. He was a Justice throughout the Commonwealth, a member of the Board of War, a member of the Council of Massachusetts until he declined the office, and, in the year 1779, was



IN
memory of
MRS. ABIGAIL PRESCOTT,
widow of the late
COL. WILLIAM PRESCOTT
who died
Oct. 19; A.D. 1821.
Æt. 88.

This Stone is erected
in memory of
Col^l WILLIAM PRESCOTT
of Pepperrell;
who died on the 15th day
of October Anno Domini 1750,
in the seventieth year
of his age.

appointed Judge of Probate, and continued as such until his death. He took an active part in suppressing Shays's Rebellion, which had many supporters in this neighborhood. He was one of the original Trustees of Groton Academy, and the first President of the Board of Trustees. He was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and of various medical societies. He died November 17, 1804, aged 73 years.

Sartell. A family of this name settled in Groton about the beginning of the last century. It is said to be distinct from the Sawtells, who were here before them, though it is not improbable that they both came from the same stock. The head of the family was Nathaniel, and he had two sons and two daughters. Nathaniel, the elder son, lived at Charlestown, and was a mariner. He sailed on a voyage, and was never afterward heard from. Josiah, the second son, lived in Groton, and was the last representative of the town to the General Court, under the charter of William and Mary. By his will, dated September 3, 1775, he bequeathed to the town and church three farms and some other property, of which the proceeds constitute the greater part of the present Groton Ministerial Fund. He was buried in the old Burying Ground. Some years ago, his gravestone was taken to the new cemetery, and the following is a copy of the inscription on it:—

JOSIAH SARTELL ESQ.
died Aug^d 30th 1784. aged 74
MARY SARTELL his widow, died
March. 30th 1790. aged 80.
and their Children who died in minority
NATHANIEL SARTELL ESQ. his
father, who died Jan^y 16th 1741. aged 60
ABIGAIL GREEN her sister, who
died Dec^r 20th 1790. aged 83.
and other relations.

From death's arrest no age is free.

Removed from the Old Cemetery to the new by Nathaniel
Gillson to the lot of Simeon Gillson.

His widow, Mary, also made a bequest to the church. The following is the first clause in her will, which is dated November 28, 1789, and on file in the Middlesex Probate Office at East Cambridge:—

"I give and bequeath to the first church in the Town of Groton aforesaid my Silver Tankard, and the sum of Fifteen pounds Lawfull money, to be for the use of said Church Forever "

Sawtell. Richard Sawtell, the ancestor of numerous families bearing this name, was an original proprietor of Groton, and the possessor of a twenty-acre right. Two of his sons were also original proprietors, Jonathan having a five-acre right, and Zechariah a ten-acre right. He came here from Watertown, where he was living as early as the year 1636. He was town clerk of Groton in 1662 and the two subsequent years. He died August 21, 1694, at Watertown, where he went, doubtless, in the spring of 1676, after the destruction of this town by the Indians. In his will, dated May 16, 1692, he mentions his wife Elizabeth. She died October 18, 1694. They had a large family, born probably at Watertown, three of whom, Obadiah, Jonathan, and Zechariah, lived at Groton. Obadiah, the eldest, married Hannah, daughter of George Lawrence, had Abigail, born March 13, 1665-6, and probably Obadiah. Jonathan, born August 24, 1639, married, July 3, 1665, Mary —, and had six children, of whom Jonathan, the youngest, was born April 6, 1676, at Watertown. Jonathan, the father, died January 6, 1690-1, and his wife, April 26, 1676, a few days after the birth of her youngest son. Zechariah, born about the year 1644, married —, and had Anna, born March 14, 1673-4, and probably Nathaniel.

This family is largely represented at Charlestown, New Hampshire, where the name is spelled Sartwell. This branch sprang from Obadiah, an early settler of that town, who went from Groton about the year 1740. He was taken prisoner by the Indians, May 24, 1746, and was held until August 20, 1747. He finally met his death at their hands, June 17, 1749, being attacked while ploughing in his cornfield, without suspecting any danger.

In the printed "Journal" of the House of Representatives, June 16, 1738, is found

"A Petition of *Josiah Sartell*, shewing that he was a Soldier in the Service of the Province for sundry Years, and was in divers Fights against the Indian Enemy, wherein many of them were slain, and he himself was wounded in some of the Engagements, that he has received nothing in Consideration of his Smart and Services, but the established Pay, that he has a large Family, and under low Circumstances; that he lately presumed for want of Lands and Means of purchasing, to go upon some of the Province Land on the West side of *Connecticut*

River, adjoining to *Northfield*, a new *Canada* Town and some Farms, has built a small House thereon, and improved some of the Lands there, praying that he may obtain a Grant, or be allowed to purchase such Part of the Province Land there, as the Court shall think convenient in Consideration of the Premises. Read and *Ordered*, That the Petition be considered on Tuesday the 20th Instant."

It was voted June 22, that one hundred acres of the unappropriated lands of the Province be granted the petitioner, and, in the record of this date, the name is spelled Joseph Sautell.

In the same "Journal," June 13, 1759, there is

"A Petition of *David Sartwell* of *Groton*, in the County of *Middlesex*, setting forth, that his Son *Abel Sartwell*, went forth in the Expedition against *Canada* the last Year; that near *Half-Way-Brook* (so called) he was in an Engagement with the Enemy, and killed; that his Gun was then lost; he therefore prays the Stoppage may be taken off, and the Treasurer be directed to allow him the *three Pounds* mentioned."

Shattuck. John Shattuck is the ancestor of all the families in Groton and its neighborhood, who bear this name. He was the son of William and Susanna Shattuck, of Watertown, where he himself was born, February 11, 1647. He married, June 20, 1664, Ruth, daughter of John, Jr., and Ruth Whitney, who was born April 15, 1645, at Watertown. About the time of his marriage, lands in Groton were granted him, but it does not appear that he ever was an inhabitant of the town. In King Philip's War, he was a sergeant of a military company raised in Watertown to protect the remote settlements in the Connecticut valley. On one of the marches the company was attacked by the Indians, and more than one half of the command were slain. Sergeant Shattuck was deputed to bear the news of the affair to the Governor of the colony, and, on his way, while crossing the ferry between Charlestown and Boston, September 14, 1675, the boat was sunk, and he was drowned. His widow afterward married Enosh Lawrence. In the year 1678, the date of the re-settlement of the town, Lawrence and his wife removed to Groton, bringing with them the four young children of her first husband, all born at Watertown. They probably occupied the land previously granted to John Shattuck, which was situated in the north part of the town. The children were John, born June 4, 1666, and married Mary, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Longley) Blood; Ruth, born June 24, 1668, and married, probably, Jonathan Farnsworth; William, born September

11, 1670, and married, first, Hannah Underwood, and, secondly, Deliverance Pease; and Samuel, who married Elizabeth Blood, a sister of his brother John's wife.

The eldest of these children, John Shattuck, and his son, John, Jr., a young man in the nineteenth year of his age, were murdered by the Indians, May 8, 1709. They were attacked, as they were crossing the Nashua River, in the vicinity of the Stony Ford-way, near the present site of Hollingsworth's paper mills, while returning from the west side of the river, where Mr. Shattuck owned land.

A remarkable fatality seems to have followed Mrs. Shattuck's kindred. Her husband and eldest son were killed by the Indians, as has just been mentioned. Her father, James Blood, was likewise killed September 13, 1692. So also were her uncle, William Longley, his wife and five children, July 27, 1694, and three other of their children were carried away into captivity at the same time. A distant relative, James Parker, Jr., and his wife were killed in this assault, and their children taken prisoners. Her stepfather, Enosh Lawrence, received a wound in an engagement with the Indians, probably in the same attack of July 27, 1694, which almost wholly prevented him from earning a livelihood for himself and family. The three Tarbell children, who were carried off to Canada by the Indians, June 20, 1707, were cousins of Mrs. Shattuck. John Ames, the father-in-law of her niece, Ruth (Shattuck) Ames, was shot by the savages at the gate of his own garrison, July 9, 1724. And lastly, her son-in-law, Isaac Lakin, the husband of her daughter Elizabeth, was wounded in Lovewell's fight at Pigwacket, May 8, 1725. These calamities covered a period of only one generation, extending from the year 1692 to 1725.

Shepley. This has been a common name in Groton, from an early date. The first settler who bore it, and all his family, excepting a son John, were massacred by the Indians. The sad event took place in the assault on the town, July 27, 1694, when his house was burned, and the boy John carried off into captivity by the savages, and held during several years. The knowledge which he obtained of their language and customs while a prisoner was of much use to him in dealing with them in after-life. Tradition relates that, when buying furs and skins of the Indians, he used to put his foot in one scale of the balance instead of a pound

weight. In the summer of 1704, while he and thirteen other men were reaping in a field at Groton, they were attacked by about twenty Indians. After some skirmishing, Shepley and one of his comrades, Butterfield by name, succeeded in killing one of the assailants, for which act they were allowed each four pounds by the Government. He is the direct ancestor of the late Honorable Ether Shepley, formerly Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Maine, and of General George F. Shepley, now a Justice of the Circuit Court of the First Circuit of the United States.

John Shepley, who lived at Wenham, was probably the progenitor of the Groton family. He removed to Chelmsford in the year 1656, at the time the Reverend Mr. Fiske took a majority of his church to that town.

Stone. This has been a common name for nearly two centuries, and the families bearing it have lived in the south part of the town. Deacon Simon Stone was an original proprietor, owning an eighteen-acre right. He was the oldest of the children of Deacon Simon and Mary (Whipple) Stone, of Watertown. Perhaps he is the person referred to by Mather (*Magnalia*, vii. 74), who was severely wounded by the Indians, July 4, 1690, at Exeter, New Hampshire. Simon Stone and John Stone, mentioned in the distribution of garrisons, March 17, 1691-2, were probably father and son. Simon married Sarah —, and it is probable that several of his children were born before he came to Groton, as their births are not recorded in the town records. Among these were John and Simon, Jr., who were often chosen town officers; James, a son of Simon, Jr., was a deacon in the church.

Tarbell. Thomas Tarbell, the ancestor of this family, sold his house and land in Watertown in the year 1663, and about the same time removed to Groton. He and Thomas, Jr., were original proprietors of the town, the father owning a twenty-acre right, and the son a six-acre right. The name is sometimes written Tarbole. He married Mary —, and had Elizabeth, born January 5, 1656-7, and William, born February 26, 1658-9, both at Watertown. The names of two other children, Thomas, Jr., and Abigail, do not appear in the town records of Watertown, and they probably were born before he settled in that town. He was one of four men, to whom twenty acres of land were granted by the town of

Groton, in the year 1665, on condition that they should build a grist-mill. At the outbreak of King Philip's War, he went to Charlestown, where he married, for the second time, August 15, 1676, Susanna, widow of John Lawrence, Jr. He died at Charlestown as early as the beginning of 1681, and his widow at the same place, January 5, 1692. Thomas Tarbell, Jr., married, June, 30, 1666, Hannah, daughter of William and Joanna Longley, and had four children. He died in the autumn of 1678, and administration on his estate was granted his widow, December 18, 1678. Thomas Tarbell, 3d, eldest child of the preceding Thomas, married, December 1, 1686, Elizabeth, daughter of Richard and Isabel Blood, and had ten children. He was town clerk of Groton in the years 1704 and 1705. He lived on what is now known as Farmers' Row, a short distance south of the Lawrence Farm. He was probably the "Corp^e Tarboll," who commanded, in the autumn of 1711, one of the eighteen garrisons in the town. Three of his children, Sarah, John, and Zachariah, were carried off by the Indians, June 20, 1707, and never came back to remain. They were picking cherries early one evening—so tradition relates—and were taken before they had time to get down from the tree. They were carried to Canada, where, it would seem, they were treated kindly, as no inducement was strong enough afterward to make them return. The girl was sold to the French, and placed in a convent near Montreal; the boys remained with their captors at Caughnawaga, an Indian village near Montreal, and subsequently married squaws and became chiefs of their tribe. Their case was brought before the Council and House of Representatives, April 20, 1739, in Boston, by Governor Belcher, when he made a speech, in which he said that—

"There are lately come from Canada some Persons that were taken by the Indians from Groton above thirty Years ago, who (its believed) may be induced to return into this Province, on your giving them some proper Encouragement: If this Matter might be effected, I should think it would be not only an Act of Compassion in order to release them from the Errors and Delusions of the Romish Faith; but their living among us might, in Time to come, be of great Advantage to the Province."

The matter was referred to a committee, but no definite result was reached. Nearly forty years after their capture, Governor Hutchinson met them in New York State, and refers to them thus:—

"I saw at Albany two or three men, in the year 1744, who came in with the Indians to trade, and who had been taken at Groton in this, that is called Queen Ann's war. One of them — Tarbell, was said to be one of the wealthiest of the Cagnawaga tribe. He made a visit in his Indian dress and with his Indian complexion (for by means of grease and paints but little difference could be discerned) to his relations at Groton, but had no inclination to remain there." — Hutchinson's "History of Massachusetts," ii. 139.

Some years after this time, these two boys — now grown up to manhood, and occupying the position of chiefs — moved up the St. Lawrence River, accompanied by several others, all with their families, and established the little village of St. Regis.

In the month of July last, I visited the place, and was interested to learn from the parish priest that the descendants of these two boys were among the prominent families of the settlement, where there are perhaps forty persons who bear the name. They keep up in a great measure the same given names that are common among their collateral kindred in this town. While in Montreal, I procured, through the kindness of the Mother Superior at the Congregation of Notre Dame, the record of Sarah's baptism, of which the following is a translation : —

"On Monday, July 23, 1708, the ceremony of baptism was performed on Sarah Tarbell, who was born at Groton in New England, October 9, 1693. Her parents were Thomas Tarbell and Elizabeth Wood, both Protestants, and she was baptized by the minister shortly after her birth. Having been taken by the savages on Monday, June 20, 1707, she was brought to Canada ; she has since been sold and has lived with the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame, established at Lachine, where she abjured her religion on May 1. Her godfather was M. Jacques Urbain Robert de Lamorandière, Secretary of M. l'Intendant ; and her godmother was Madame Marguerite Bonat, wife of M. Étienne Pascaud, the deputy treasurer of the King, in this country.

Her name Sarah has been changed to Marguerite.

[Signed] M^{GR} BONAT,
PASCAUD,
LAMORANDIÈRE,
MERIEL, PRÊTRE."

Thomas Tarbell, the father of these children, made his will September 26, 1715, which was admitted to probate six weeks later. After making certain bequests to different members of his family, he says : —

"all the rest & residue of my Reall Estate I give to be Equally divided between my three children, John, Zachary, & Sarah Tarbell, upon their return from Captivity, or In Proportion unto any of them that shall return, & the rest, or the parts belonging to them that do not return, shall be Equally divided among the rest of my children."

In the printed "Journal" of the House of Representatives, for April 22, 1746, there is found "A Petition of *William Tarbell* of *Groton*, a Soldier wounded in the Service of the Province, praying a Consideration therefor." This petitioner was a nephew of the captives.

Tinker. John Tinker, one of the original selectmen appointed by the General Court, was living as early as the year 1643, at Windsor, Connecticut, and afterward at Boston. He was among the first settlers of Lancaster, where he was a selectman and town clerk. At one time he bought of the Government the right to trade in furs at Nashaway [Lancaster] and Groton. He subsequently removed to New London, Connecticut, and died suddenly, in October, 1662, at Hartford.

Winthrop. Deane Winthrop, whose name stands at the head of the earliest list of selectmen appointed by the General Court, was a son of Governor John Winthrop, of Massachusetts, and a native of Groton, England. It was in compliment to him that the name of his birthplace was given to this town. The following letter, written by a distinguished representative of his family, will be read with interest:—

BOSTON, 27 February, 1878.

MY DEAR DR. GREEN,—It would give me real pleasure to aid you in establishing the relations of Deane Winthrop to the town of Groton in Massachusetts. But there are only three or four letters of Deane's among the family papers in my possession, and not one of them is dated Groton. Nor can I find in any of the family papers a distinct reference to his residence there.

There are, however, two brief notes of his, both dated "the 16 of December, 1662," which I cannot help thinking may have been written at Groton. One of them is addressed to his brother John, the Governor of Connecticut, who was then in London, on business connected with the Charter of Connecticut. In this note, Deane says as follows:—

"I have some thoughts of removing from the place that I now live in, into your Colony, if I could lit of a convenient place. The place that I now live in is too little for me, my children now growing up."

We know that Deane Winthrop was at the head of the first Board of Selectmen of Groton a few years earlier, and that he went to reside at Pullen Point, now called Winthrop, not many years after.

I am strongly inclined to think with you that this note of December, 1662, was written at Groton.

Yours very truly,

ROBT. C. WINTHROP.

SAMUEL A. GREEN, M.D.

Witt. John Witt was one of the petitioners for the plantation of Groton ; but he probably never was an inhabitant of the town. As early as the year 1650 he was a resident of Lynn, where he died December 2, 1675.

Woods. Samuel Woods was an original proprietor of Groton, and owned an eleven-acre right. He is the ancestor of most of the families in this neighborhood, bearing the name. Two of his grandchildren, Thomas Woods and Daniel Woods, were with Captain John Lovewell, in his famous fight with the Indians, May 8, 1725, and both were killed. Henry Woods, a great-grandson, was in an expedition up the Kennebec River, in the summer of 1755. At the Battle of Bunker Hill, he was a Major under Colonel William Prescott, and subsequently promoted to a colonelcy ; after the war he was a general of the militia.

SOME INSTANCES OF LARGE FAMILIES AND OF
LONG-LIVED PERSONS IN GROTON.

THE following are some instances of large families, reared in Groton, between the years 1700 and 1800. The maiden names of the mothers, so far as they are known, are given within parentheses : —

Robert and Deborah Parker had sixteen children. Ebenezer and Abigail Blood, Joseph and Abigail (Sawtell) Parker, Jonathan and Ruth Farnsworth, and Oliver and Sarah (Tarbell) Farnsworth were blessed, each couple, with families of fourteen children.

Mrs. Joseph Parker, named above, "left two Hundred or upwards of Children & Grandchildren," according to the inscription on her grave-stone. She died February 19, 1787, in the 90th year of her age.

Jonas and Jemima (Holden) Green were the happy parents of ten children, all born within a period of less than eleven years, and among them were twins and triplets. By a second marriage, Jonas became the father of nine more children.

Elisha and Elizabeth (Adams) Rockwood were favored with thirteen children. Isaac and Priscilla (Dodge) Bowers, John and Ruth Frost, Jonathan and Esther (Shedd) Lawrence, Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Page) Nutting, John and Elizabeth (Nutting) Nutting, Joseph and Mary (Prescott) Stone, Captain John and Molly (Everett) Williams, and Nathaniel and Alice Woods were each the parents of twelve children.

Some remarkable cases of longevity and of regular succession of deaths, in this town, during one year, are given in the Groton "Spirit of the Times," for July 26, 1848. The list was furnished by Mr. Butler, and is as follows : —

Molly, widow of Amos Stone, died May 13, 1847, aged 94 years and 1 month.

Abigail, widow of John Lawrence, died July 10, 1847, aged 93 years and 9 months.

Mary, widow of John Capell, died September 6, 1847, aged 93 years, 4 months and 25 days.

Major Amos Farnsworth died October 19, 1847, aged 93 years, 6 months and 1 day.

Elizabeth, his widow, died December 11, 1847, aged 90 years, 7 months and 24 days.

Lucy, widow of Deacon Samuel Rockwood, died May 12, 1848, aged 90 years, 8 months and 23 days.

All the above-named persons, with the exception of Mr. and Mrs. Capell, were natives of Groton, and each one of the six decedents was, at the date of death, the oldest person in town.

It is interesting to note the changes that have occurred in baptismal names within a few generations. In the early days of New England, certain names that now sound uncouth to the ear were in common use in every community. They were taken largely from the Bible, which was, perhaps, the only book universally read at that time. Zerubbabel Kemp was living in Groton at the beginning of the last century, and he gave the name to one of his sons, who lived to grow up, notwithstanding the infliction. Mephibosheth Adams was a resident of the west parish of Groton a hundred and fifty years ago, but he spared his own boys. A class of names, common in the last century, and representing abstract qualities, such as Faith, Hope, Charity, Temperance, Prudence, and Virtue, have now entirely disappeared. The good old names of Molly, Polly, Dolly, and Sally are never seen in their original spelling; Susie is considered a better form than Sukey, and Bessie is preferred to Betty.

The name of Gabriel Lakin, of Groton, was kept up through several generations, and the name of Sibyl was in common use in the same family. John Frost, perhaps a kinsman of the well-known "Jack Frost," had, among his twelve children, a son called Scripture. His eldest daughter was Jemima, and his three youngest were named respectively Tryphena, Patience, and Submit.

Mr. Butler, in the genealogical Appendix to his "History" (page 394), mentions the family of "John Darby and Mary," and in the next page gives that of "John Derbyshire and Mary," as if they were different families. They were, however, undoubtedly one and the same. This view is confirmed by the name of the wife, the dates of the birth of the children, and the tendency in former times to cut words short. Before coming to Groton, John lived at Dunstable, where other children were born. I have seen his signature, and he wrote it Darbyshire.





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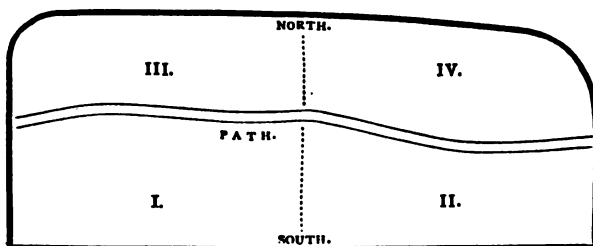


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